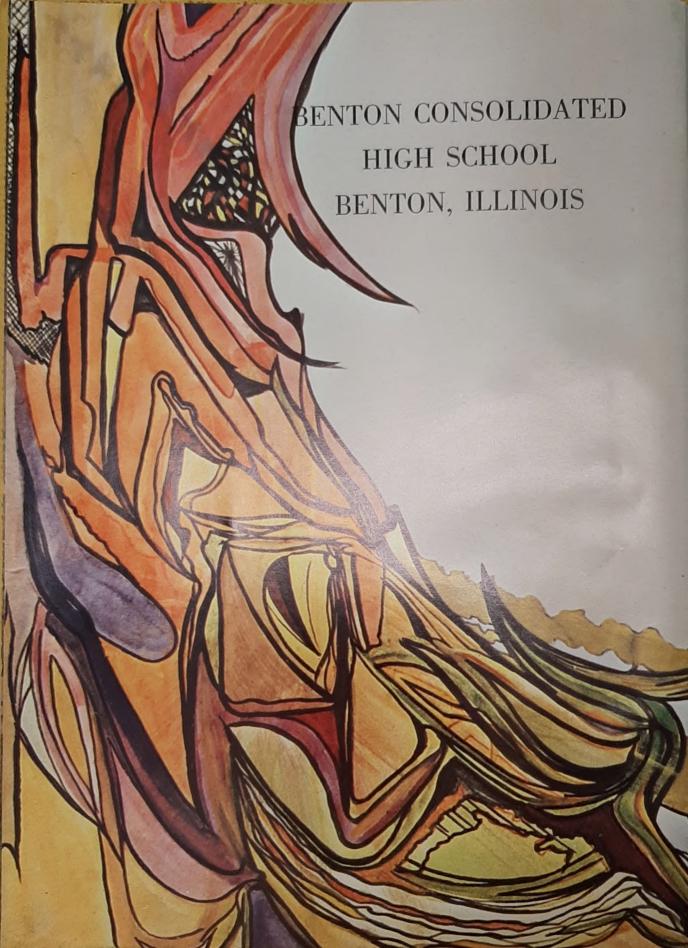








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Foreword

"Happiness" is ...
learning new things
a passing grade
backing the "Rangers"
Homecoming weekend
being with friends.

The 1967-68 Scarab staff has tried to recapture these moments of "happiness" that have occurred during the 1967-68 school year. These moments have often been clouded with frustration and defeat, but these are all part of our high school years. There is something to be gained from everything, even from our failures.

Being the editor of the 1968 Scarab has been a most rewarding experience. I have had superb co-operation from four untiring assistant editors, a capable advisor and a diligent staff.

A special thanks is extended to Mr. Paul Hickman, who generously gave his time taking special pictures, and to Mr. Gary Messersmith, who so skillfully created the artistic effects of this book. I would also like to thank Mr. William Blewett, representative of Taylor Publishing Company, for his technical advice and service.

The Scarab staff has worked hard to make this edition of the Scarab a bit unique and modern, yet filled with the memorable traditions of Benton Consolidated High School.

Karen Munoz, editor-in-chief

Dedication

The Scarab staff of 1968, dedicates this yearbook not to one individual, but to a multitude of glowing young adults known as the new generation; a vibrant group whose ideals reach toward peace, freedom, understanding, love, and a constant search for truth. Art and nature afford new avenues of expression.

Our generation hopes to face the present and future with open minds and new ideas, so we can deal with the problems that confront our rapidly changing world. We need the energies and talents of everyone to meet the challenges of this changing world. We need the best of many—not of just a few. We must strive for excellence.

We dedicate ourselves to the never-ending task of mastering the impossible, so our heart will rejoice in the words, "We can and we will".





We See The Ideas And Ideals Of Our New Generation.

Soon our time will come when we will be the ones to hold key roles in our nation. Our era, however, will not quickly be forgotten, for behind us we shall leave new trends and symbols of our generation. Miniskirts, long hair, sandals, higher goals and a better scope for learning will be but a few of our trademarks.















We Seek A New Knowledge



The world is constantly changing. Everyday new facts and ideas are born. Therefore, we seek knowledge not only through books, but also in our everyday experiences and the people around us.













We Seek New Friendships!









As all of us grow older, we will remember all the friends we have made during our years at B.C.H.S. The fun, the hardships, the disappointments, and the surprises will never be forgotten.









We See Beauty In New Forms

Beauty is not only present in nature. We are also able to see it in lines, colors, forms, tones, or an ordinary poetic reading.









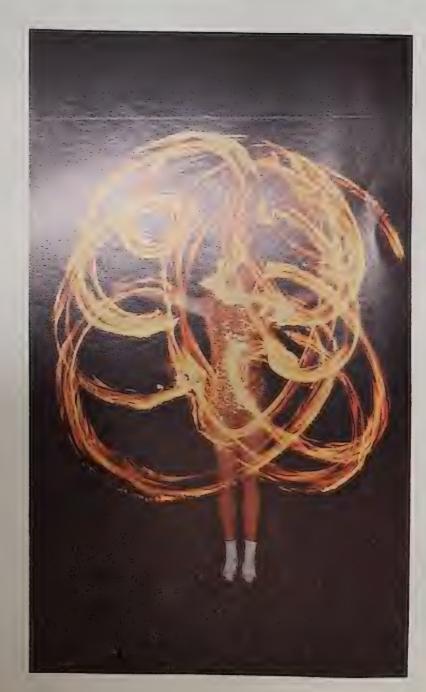












We See All This Newness, We Are A Part Of It, And It Of Us.



Each successive day brings new friends, experiences, knowledge and relationships. We shall live each day in its entirety and look forward to tomorrow.











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The Board Of Education



Mr. Frank Payne, President

The Board of Education is an organization of talented men who have been specially selected because of their knowledge, ability, and understanding of their community and its problems. They come from all walks of life and professions and thus their ideas are representative of the needs of Benton's students and of their education.

This year the Board of Education started out with a bang by putting into motion some of the ideas recommended by the North Central Association in the survey they made last spring. As a result of this survey, a buildings trade class was added to the regular curriculum of B.C.H.S. to create an area where untapped talent could be discovered and nurtured as a possible future trade for many young men. Not only was this idea put into action, but the board has put many other valuable ideas into action for the betterment of B.C.H.S. and will continue to do so.



BOARD OF EDUCATION-Virgil Bolen, Wm. Frank Payne, W. C. Rice, Clarence Lowery, Dr. W. J. Swinney, Dr. Lewis H. Smith, Dr. Harry L. Lewis.



W. C. Rice, Secretary



Dr. Harry L. Lewis



Clarence Lowery



Dr. William Swinney



Dr. Lewis H. Smith



Virgil Bolen



PRINCIPAL BARNIE P. GENISIO

A d m i n i s t r a t i o n

"If each of us will do his very best each day, then he can face his fellows and himself with the knowledge that he has done all he can." Living such a philosophy ably represents the calm, deliberate manners and sound judgments of our principal, Barnie P. Genisio and of our assistant principal, Claude Rhodes. Furthering and fulfilling some of the suggestions made by the North Central Association has been the goal of this year's administration so that the students of B.C.H.S. will have a better education.



Principal and vice principal conferring on one of the many daily problems.



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL CLAUDE RHODES



As I was saying . . .



Cheeseceeece!!!!



KEEP CALM??? How can I keep calm when 50 students just skipped school!

G u i d a n c



ALBERT GULLEY Guidance, Diversified Occupations B.S., SIU M.S., SIU



LUCILLE CRADDOCK Guidance, B.Ed., SIU M.S., SIU M.S., ED, SIU



... and there are moments of laughter

Guidance is a very important phase in a student's education. With the help of the two guidance counselors, students make plans for college or for their future occupations. They also aid students with problems concerning grades and courses at B.C.H.S. Testing in many areas helps the counselors in directing the students.



... and there are moments of seriousness



MARJORIE TRÜLOVE Business Ed. B.S., U. of I. M.S., S.I.U.



MARY ALICE PRIBBLE Business Ed. B.S., S.I.U.



IMOGENE REA Business Ed. B.S., S.I.U.

Business



The faculty also need to keep pace with the students.



It's right before your eyes.

Business careers have many avenues. Each avenue takes specific training. Courses in typing, shorthand, business law, and clerical office practice are offered to students wishing to achieve a career in business.



ELLEN BURKHART English B.A., U. of Wis. M.A., U. of I.

English

"Whan that Aprille with its shoures soote" is a familiar phrase heard through the halls of B.C.H.S. Students study everything in their English Departments from Chaucer to Steinbeck. The B.C.H.S. English faculty strives to prepare their students for higher education, an understanding of literature and a knowledge of our mode of language in society. This is done through themes, films, book reports, novels, test, and various and sundry methods.



EDWARD MILLER English B.S., S.I.U. M.S., S.I.U.



"Beware the ides of March"



Personal contact with the students is important.



GEORGIA HILL English B.A., U. of Wis.



Didn't you lose something, sir??



ROBERT PHILIPAK English B.S.Ed., SIU M.S.Ed., SIU

Fine Arts

The B.C.H.S. Fine Arts Department has expanded tremendously in the past few years. The Arts department gives high school students an opportunity to creatively express themselves. This year we have a new band director, Mr. Huffman, a new chorus director, Mrs. Frailey, a new speech teacher, Mrs. Pujol, and the art teacher Mr. Messersmith is back for his second year. Despite all this newness, the Fine Arts Department has made many advancements this year.



VINCE HUFFMAN Music B.M. of Ed., Vandercook College of Music



BETTY FRAILEY Chorus B.Ed., S.I.U. M.M., American Conservatory



La la la la la!



Mouths open! Begin!



You-hoo!



GARY MESSERSMITH Art B.A., S.I.U.



NANCY PUJOL Speech B.A. in Comm. S.I.U.



I thought elephants were afraid of mice.

Foreign Language



MARGARET ARMENTROUT Latin B.Ed., S.I.U. M.A., U. of I.

L a t i n



Miss Armentrout ponders over the answer to a question.

Foreign language is an important part of a well-rounded education. From these studies we not only learn a new language, but also learn to interpret our own. Through the two languages offered at BCHS, we prepare ourselves to meet the world of communications.



Even graduates return for help.

F r e n c



ERNEST SHEPARD French, Social Studies B.A., U. of I. M.A., U. of I.



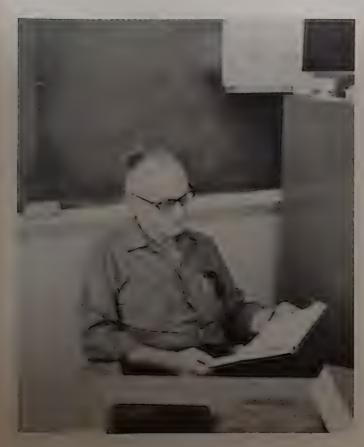
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VERBAL ADKISSON Health B.S., S.I.U.

Mealth

B.C.H.S. is one of the few schools in the nation having a full time health program. The students taking health, study the human body systems, mental health, and first aid safety. Health is a required course for all freshmen.



Mr. Trulove looks over tomorrow's assignment.



GLEN TRULOVE Health B.Ed., S.I.U. M.A., S.I.U.

Home

0 n 0 m i

Home Economics classes at B.C.H.S. are designed to train the student in home and family skills. Girls are trained not only in cooking and sewing, but also how to manage a well-balanced home.



Girls in Home Ec classes learn how to prepare for their future marriages.



Queen for a day??



ELEANOR ROBERTS Home Economics B.S. in Ed. S.I.U.



RUTH ANN DALLAPE Home Economics B.S. in Ed. S.I.U.



MAURICE PHILIPS Athletics Geography B.S., Erskine College



BARBARA KOLLER Athletics B.S. in Ed. N.I.U.



KENNETH HUNGATE Athletics B.S., S.I.U.

Physical Education



RICHARD HERRIN Athletics Director Driver's Ed. B.S., McKendree M.S., SIU



Mrs. Koller sweeps Kendra off her feet.

Mathematics



VERNON GLASS Mathematics B.A., Buena Vista College



JOE SPICER Mathematics B.S. in Ed., S.I.U. M.S. in Ed., S.I.U.

Math has more and more become a very important factor in our world today. It would be rare if a person could go through a day, without in some way using math. B.C.H.S. has made many advancements in the past few years. Advanced classes for the student who has shown exceptional ability, as well as catch-up classes for the slower student have been established.



Mr. Spicer shows his class how to work a difficult problem.



MILDRED NEAL Mathematics, English B.S., S.I.U.



RANSOM DUDLEY Mathematics B.S. in Ed. Southeast Missouri State College



Mr. Glass watches as a rigorous problem is put on the board.



Mr. Dudley takes a break from his busy day's work.



Mrs. Neal points out a shortcut in the math problem.



TERRELL SPEES Chemistry B.A., SIU

Science



H. M. AIKEN Science B.S., U. of I.



Well! Ready for a hard day's work?

Since the first discoveries of Aristotle, mankind has had a non-ceasing desire to attain more knowledge on the worldly mysteries that surround him. The science department at BCHS helps to continue this never ending conquest through the teachings of biology, chemistry, physics, and psychology in a hope that the students will gain a solid background so that they may one day be the ones to unlock the doors to the future.



Mr. Aiken, what has science done for you?



ALBERTA HIDRITCH Social Studies Latin B.S., Shurtleff College M.S., S.I.U.

Social Studies

Did you get the answer to the 115th "who, what, and why" in the homework we had last night? This is a typical question heard through the corridors of B.C.H.S. Since all juniors and seniors are required to take American History and Problems, history is a very important course for Benton students. Other areas of history offered are World Geography, World History, and Illinois History.



JANE KIRSCH Social Studies B.S., U. of Mo. M.A., U. of I.



Mrs. Hidritch points out Timbuktu on the globe.



Miss Kirsch quizzes the students about the constitution.



ROBERT VERCELLINO Special Education B.S., SIU

For students needing catchup and remedial work, B.C.H.S. has a special education program. This program helps the student to be better prepared to meet life. Mr. Vercellino and Mr. Jourdan are the instructors.



LEON JOURDAN Language Arts B.S., SIU

Special Education



Mr. Jourdan aids a student with his lessons.



Mr. Vercellino takes an active interest in his students.

Agriculture



Could Mr. Finley be listening to the "Monkees" during his break.



Mr. Finley helps a student learn the basics about operating a planter.



B. L. FINLEY Vocational Agriculture B.S., U. of I. M.S., U. of I.

B.C.H.S. agriculture classes are very important to the community. Since Benton is located in the center of a prosperous agricultural belt, the skills learned in these classes are not only vital to be a farmer, but are also important to the growth of Southern Illinois. Benton "Ag" boys are competently guided by Mr. B. L. Finley.



ARNOLD NADLER Building Trades B.S., SIU M.S., SIU

Building Trades

September 1967 began a new adventure for students who are interested in building trades. These students learned their art through actual experience. A lot was purchased, building was begun, and a beautiful modern home was readied for sale. The class was under the supervision of a new faculty member, Mr. Nadler.



Mr. Nadler teaches them the basics of house building.



The building begins to take shape.



This beautiful house is the accomplishment of the building trades class.

Industrial Arts



Mr. Rea inspects the artwork of one of his students.



DALLAS REA Industrial Education B.S., S.I.U. B.S., S.I.U.

The Industrial Arts Department was expanded this year to include an electricity course. Boys who are not interested in an academic program can pursue courses dealing with trades. Included in these are: drafting, wood work, electricity. This program is conducted by Mr. Dallas Rea.



Wayne Summers practices the skill of wood cutting.

L i b r a r v



LOUISE LITTLE Library B.S. Murray State College

A larger selection and variety of books were available to students using the library this year. Under the supervision of Mrs. Louise Little, the library is located in the study hall. Students are allowed to use the library during their free periods. Six students also aid Mrs. Little.



Mrs. Little helps John select a novel for his book report.



Mrs. Little takes a break from her busy schedule to catch up on the daily news.



IRENE MROGENSKI



MARLENE EDWARDS



LAVEDA WARREN

Office Staff



OFFICE CADETS: Sitting, Betty Hutchcraft, Judy Sneed, Janice Hart, Karen Jones. Standing, Sharon Sanders, Martha Skinner, and Vickie Adkins.



Mr. Rhodes and Miss Mrogenski go over the daily attendance records.



Answering the telephone is one of the many jobs that Miss Edwards performs each day.

Service Personnel

The backbone of Benton High School is found among these men who are the first to arrive and last to leave its walls. They also travel the roads with the teams, clubs, and classes when they compete here or visit there.



Staff and faculty work together for a better B.C.H.S.



O. Davis, E. Pickard, C. Jones, and F. Owens keep things in tip-top shape.



F. Pierce, W. Kinnison, B. Doty, E. Pickard, O. Davis, and G. Overturf transport the students to and from school,

"What's for lunch, Mrs. Sanders?"

Cooks



Students enjoyed the new lunch program this year.





Mrs. Adams prepares a special sauce for lunch.

1968 brought about a change in the lunch program. Instead of preparing a complete hot meal, the cooks now prepare a variety of sandwiches to meet the popular demand of the students. This change has proven a success at B.C.H.S.







Dick Corn, President; Janet Frailey, Vice-president; Mrs. Neal, sponsor; Ilana Neal, Treasurer; Mr. Philipak, sponsor; Allen Czenski, Secretary.



Class Of 1968

As our Senior year comes to a climax, we have many happy memories to cherish the rest of our lives. We remember our "shaky" knees when we entered B.C.H.S. as freshmen, and the seniors who gave us a rough road to trod. We remember our first Turkey Day game, and the excitement of our first Homecoming dance. We will never forget our "great" basketball teams from the past three years which have won three successive South Seven Crowns.

We worked very hard to raise money for the Junior-Senior Prom, which we gave for the seniors in '67. During our sophomore year, we worked in the concession stand at football and basketball games. Our chocolate sale was a big success during our junior year.

Our junior play—"Father Knows Best" drew a large audience. The Sadie Hawkins dance given this year was the scene of the crowning of Daisy Mae and Little Abner. This year we broke the tradition of having a comedy, and presented the dramatic play—"Our Town."

Before we realized it, our four years at B.C.H.S. had come to an end. Many seniors had achieved

the goals they had hoped to obtain.

As the Class of '68 fades into the past, we wish to extend a sincere thanks to all of our teachers, counselors, coaches, and Mr. Genisio for all the adult advice and help they have given us. We leave high school with a tear in our hearts, but we look forward to the expanding future ahead of us. We will never be able to forget our four fun-filled years at B.C.H.S., and will always hold these memories close to our hearts.



Seniors anxiously awaited Graduation Day.

Tempo Quickens As







SHARON ADKINS

FTA 1; FNC 1; GAA 1, 2; D. O. 1, 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; History Club 2, 3; Latin Club 1; Speech Club 2; Pep Club 4; YFC 1; Concession Worker 2.

VICKIE ADKINS

FTA 1, 2: FHA 1, 2, Vice-Pres. Recreation 3, Vice-Pres. 4: GAA 1, 2: YFC 1; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4: History Club 1, 2: Junior-Senior Reception Server; Office Cadet.

ELAINE BABURNICH

FNC Treasurer 3; FTA 2, 3, Hi-Tri 1, 2 3, Pres. 4; State Hi-Tri Pres; FHA 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Father Knows Best 3; Our Town 4; Scarab Staff 4; Echo Staff 3; Homecoming Att. 3; Cheerleader 2, Capt. 4.



Roy Parker grows brave and has his head shaved!

JANE BAILEY

FTA 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA 1, 2; FHA 3; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2; History Club 3; Art Club 4; Pep Club 4; Student Council 3, 4; Pres. 4; Father Knows Best 4.

JERRY BALDWIN

Hi-Y 2, 3; Latin Club 2; Cross Country 1.

SUSAN BARHAM

GAA 1, 2, 3; FHA 1, 2, 3; FBLA 3; D.O. 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; History Club 1.





Graduation Nears

ROBERTA BASHAM

FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Historian 3; FNC 1, 2, 3, 4, Board Member 3; FBLA 1, 2, 3, 4; YFC 1, 2; Hi Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 3, 4; Stage Band 3.

BOB BEASLEY

Latin Club 3; Golf 1, 2, 3, 4; Lion's Lettermen Banquet 3.

LARRY BEATY









Denny Benns is taking contributions for toupees for Kenny Irvin and Roy Parker.







EFFIE BENNETT

FHA 1, 2; Hi Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; D.O. Club 3, 4.

GENEVA NADINE BETTIS Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOHN BORTOLETTO

Key Club 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Hi-Y 1, 2; Concession Worker; Golf 1, 2, 3, 4; Leading Medalist 2; Fourth Individual Medalist 1967 District; American Legion Boys' State Candidate; Lion's Honor Banquet 1, 2, 3; National Honor Society 3, 4; Lion's Varsity Lettermen Banquet 1, 2, 3.

Tomorrow's Leaders



MARGARET BRANDIBAS HI-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4,

CHERYL BROWNING Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Lotin Club 1, 2; FBLA 3, Treasurer 4; History Club 3.

REBECCA JANE BROWNING

GAA 3, 4; FHA, Board Member 1, Rocreation 2, Treasurer 3, Pros. 4; YFC 1; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Math Club 3, 4; History Club 2; Speech Club 2; Science Club 4; Father Knows Bost, Backstage; Illinois State Scholarship-semi-finalist.

MARK ALAN CARR Math Club 4; Science Club 4

PATRICIA MARIE CARTER FHA 1, 2; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Echo Staff 2; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4, All State.

BETTY RUTH CASEY D.O. 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4.







CINDY CHANEY GAA 1, 2, 3; FHA 1; FBLA 3; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 4; Office Cadet 3, 4,





DAVID CHOISSER

Hi-Y 1, 2: Latin Club 2: Science Club 2, Pres. 4: Math Club 3, 4: National Honor Society 3, 4: Student Council I; Track 1, 2, 3, 4: Basketball 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4: Father Knows Best 3, Our Town 4: Illinois State Scholarship-semi-finalist.



Seniors act out ideas in Speech class!

Are Today's Graduates







NANCY CLUCK HI-Tri I, 2, 3, 4.

KENNY COCHRUM
Hi-Y 1, 2, 3; Football 1; Wrestling 2.

TERRY CONCI

Transfer Student From Murphysboro; Hi-Y 3: Latin Club I, 2: Chorus I; Our Town 4: Basketball I.

DICK CONNER

Hi-Y I, 2, 3; French Club 2; Track 3, 4; Football I, 2, 3, 4; Football Letterman 4.

PAULA CONNER Hi-Tri I, 2, 3, 4.

RICHARD CORN

FFA 1, 2; Key Club 2, 3, Pres. 4; Student Council 2, Vice-Pres. 3, Treasurer 4; Math Club 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Lions Honor Banquet 1, 2, 3; Scarab Royalty 3; Little Abner Candidate 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Focball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2

















BRUCE CRADDOCK

Hi-Y I, 2, 3, 4; Math Club 4; Latin Club 2; History Club 3; Band I, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 4; National Honor Society 3, 4.

GINGER CREMEENS Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 4; FTA 2, 3.

PAMELA CRISP

GAA I, 2, 3, Pres. 4; FTA 3, 4; Hi-Tri I, 2, 3, 4; History Club 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Chorus 4; Pep Club 4; National Honor Society 3, 4.

SANDRA CUNNINGHAM

FTA 4: FHA 1; FBLA 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; History Club 3; Speech Club 4; Chorus 4; Pep Club 4.

CONNIE CUSHMAN

FNC 1, Treasurer 2, 3; GAA 3, 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 3, Secretary 4; Latin Club 2; Concession Worker 2; Junior and Senior Play Usher; Scarab Ad Solicitor 4.

ALLEN CZENSKI

Hi-Y 1, 2; Latin Club 2; Math Club 3, President 4: Speech Club President 4: Student Council 3: Concession Worker 2: Latin Club Slave 1: National Honor Society 3, 4: Lions Honor Banquet 2, 3, 4: American Legion Essay Winner, First Place 3, Second Place 4: American Legion Boy's State: Illinois State Scholarship Semi-finalist 4; Graduation Marshall 3: Football 1; Junior Class President; Senior Class Secretary: Math Field Day 2: Scarab Layout Editor 4: Senior Play-Our Town; Junior Play-Father Knows Best; Annie Get Your Gun Lighting Crew.

MARCIA DAVIS

GAA 1, 2, 3 Sports Manager, 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4, FHA 1, 2, 3 Board Member, Vice-President of Projects 4; History Club 2, 3, Secretary 4: Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4, Accompanist 1, 2, 3, 4, Representative 2, Girl's Vocal Ensemble 4: National Honor Society 3, 4: Historian of the Month 3; Farmer's Ball Queen 3; Musical-Annie Get Your Gun.













Math Club 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; FNC 1: GAA 1, Point Manager 2, 3, 4; YFC Pianist 1; History Club 2, 3; FTA 1, President 2, Vice-President 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Science Club 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Art Club 4: FHA 1, 2, Historian 3: Concession Worker 2: Echo Staff I. 2 Head Typist 4: Scarab Class Editor I, 2, 3, Asst. Ester 4: Band Lettergirl 4: Senior Play-Our Ter, Annie Get Your G in Stage Crew; Speech O to 4; Debate Club 4; Teen Town Council I.

SUSAN DESETT

FHA 2; FTA 1, 2, 3; History Club 3; Make-Up Club 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 2; Art Club 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 2; Concession Worker 2; Twirler 2; Junior Play Usher: Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Jr-Sr Reception Server 2.

MARVIN DESPAIN Latin Club 1, 2.

JOHN DINKINS

Basketball 1, 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Track 1, 2, 3; Student Council Representative 1: Beta Club 3: Football 2, 3: Hi-Y 2, 3: Science Club 2: Key Club 3, 4; Math Club 2; D.O. Club 4.















JIM DIXON

TERESA DOUGLAS

YFC 1; GAA 1; History Club 3; D.O. Club 3, 4, President 4; Latin Club 2; Speech Club 2; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Saturnalia Slave 1.

LINDA DYE Hi-Tri I, 2, 3, 4.

Enthusiasm Marks Their Path

BECCA EDWARDS FNC 1, 2, 3, 4, Board Member I, President 4: YFC 1; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4, Board Member 1, Sec-retary 2, Second Vice-President 3; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4, Council 4: Latin Club 2; Math Club 3, 4; Scarab Feature Editor 4; Concession Worker 2: Junior Play Usher 3: Homecoming Decorating Committee 2, 3, 4: Lions Honor Banquet 1, 2, 3; Graduation Usher Math Field Day I; National Honor Society 8, 4: Illinois State Scholarship Semi-finalist 4.





MARK EWING

Hi-Y I, 2, 3; History Club 3, 4; Science Club 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Math Club 4; Golf 4; Hi-Y Delegate to Prelegislative Conference; Senior Play-Our Town; Latin Club Float Committee.







GEORGIA EZELL

FHA 1; GAA 1; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Echo News Writer 2.

JANET FRAILEY

FTA 1, 2, 3, 4; FNC 1, 2; GAA 2; Latin Club 2; Art Club 4; FHA 3, Vice-President Recreation 4; Student Council Secretary 4; Hi-Tri Council 1, 2, Treasurer 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Officer 3, President 4; Pep Band; Chorus 4, Girl's Ensemble 4; Freshman Class Treasurer; Sophomore Class Treasurer; Senior Class Vice President; National Honor Society 3, 4; Homecoming Attendant 1, 2; Scarab Royalty 3; Daisy Mae Candidate 4; Freshman Charm Queen; Senior Play-Our Town; Musical-Annie Get Your Gun; Echo Staff 2, 3, 4; Scarab Staff 3, 4; Teen Town Council 2; Concession Worker 2; Band All-State

ELAINE FROST

FBLA 4; Latin Club 2; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; History Club 3.

Senior Float Wins

LOUISE FUNKHOUSER

MARVIN GATES

PFC 1: Hi-Y 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 2; Band 1, 2, 3; Stage Band 3, 4; Science Club 2; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Wrestling 1, 2, 3; Lotterman.





BRENDA GIPSON
FHA I, 3; FNC I; GAA I, 2, 4; FBLA 2; Hi-Tri I, 2, 3, 4;
History Club I, 2, 3.

KATHY GOODRUM
YFC 1; FHA 1, 2, 3; GAA 4; D.O. 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; History Club 3, 4.



DONNA KAYE GREEN

GAA I, 2, 3; FHA I, 2, 3, 4; YFC I; Hi-Tri I, 2, 3, 4; Make-Up Club I, 2, 3; Chorus 3, 4; Concession Stand Worker.







BRENDA HANEY FHA 1; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4.

RONALD DALE HANSEN
YFC 1; Speech Club 4; History Club 2, 3, 4; Debate Team
4; Our Town 4.

"Psyche Out A Victory"





RUSSELL HARGRAVES

Hi-Y 1, 2, 3; History Club 3, Treasurer 4; Sports Manager 1, 2, 3.

JANICE HART

FBLA 3, Secretary 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Math Club 3, 4; Library Club 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 2; Office Cadet 4; Echo Typist 4; Lion's Club Honor Banquet 3; National Honor Society 3, 4; Graduation Usher 3.

PEGGY HICKS

FHA 1; History Club 3; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus.

MARY ANNE HILL

GAA 1, 2, 3, Vice Pres. 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice Pres. 4; Chorus 1, 2, 4; Speech Club Vice Pres. 4; Mu Alpha Theta 3, 4; Science Club 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Make-up Club 1, 2, 3; Scarab Staff 1, 2, 3, 4; Father Knows Best 3; Our Town 4; Annie Get Your Gun 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Lion's Honor Banquet 3







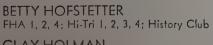


PEGGY HITT

FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Band 3, 4; Band Contest 4; Jr.-Sr. Reception Server

KATHY HOBBS

FHA I, 2, 3; FTA 2, 3; YFC I; Hi-Tri I, 2, 3, 4; Band I, 2, 3, 4; Echo Ad Solicitor 2; Jr.-Sr. Reception Server 2; Band I, 2, 3, 4; Twirler I, 2; Solo Twirler 3; Drum Majorette 4; Band Contest 3; National Honor Society 3, 4: Betty Crocker Award 4.



CLAY HOLMAN Latin Club 2; History Club 3.







CHUCK HOUSE
LINDA HUNTER
GAA 1: YFC 1, 2: Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4: D.O. Club 4: Band
1: FHA 3.

BETTY HUTCHCRAFT FHA 3, 4; Art Club 4; History Club 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 4; Office Cadet 4; History Club Award.

ROBERT ING
FFA 3, Secretary 4; History Club 3; Cross Country 3, 4;
Track 2, 3; Homecoming Decorating Committee 4; Third
Land Judging Contest.

Seniors Score A Hit

VICKEE ING

YFC !: History Club 2: GAA 1, 2; FBLA 3: FHA 2, 3: Speech Club 2: Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3.

EVAN JACKSON

Latin Club 1, 2; History Club 3; CAP 1, 2, 3; American Legion Essay Winner 2.

EVELYN JANKOUSKY

FTA 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary 4; FNC 1, 2, 3; Student Council Vice-President 4; Hi-Tri Council 1, 2, Secretary 4; GAA 2; History Club 3; Latin Club 3; FHA 4; Science Club Vice-President 4; Art Club 4; Echo Staff, Ad Solicitor 2, 3, Co-Editor 4; Scarab Staff Feature Writer 3, 4; Freshman Class Secretary; Sophomore Class Secretary; Junior Play Prompter; Senior Play-Our Town; Annie Get Your Gun Stage Crew; Homecoming Attendant 1, 2; Scarab Royalty 1; National Honor Society 3, 4; Lions Honor Banquet 1, 2, 3; Graduation Usher 3; Mu Alpha Theta 3, 4; Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; JV Captain 2.

CLARA JANE JILEK

GAA 3; Latin Club 3; Speech Club 4; Art Club 4; History Club 3, 4; Mu Alpha Theta 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Lions Honor Banquet 3.



DANNY JOHNSON

History Club 3: Cross Country 1, 2, 3, 4: Track 1, 2, 3, 4: Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4: Most Valuable Player of Contralia Holiday Tournament 4: Honorable Mention All State Basketball Team 3: High Jump Record 3.

SAUNDRA JOHNSON

FTA 3, 4; FHA 1, 2; History Club 3, 4; FNC 3; FBLA 3; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; History Club 3, 4; Band 1; Scarab Ad Solicitor 4; Echo Feature Writer 4; Library Club 3; Father Knows Best 3; Our Town 4; Concession Stand Worker 2.



FNC 1, 2; FHA 1, 2; FTA 1; FBLA 3, 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Lettergirl 3, 4; History Club 1, 2.

G. W. JONES Football 2.



With "Our Town"



HOLLY JONES

FHA I, Historian 2, 3, 4; YFC I; FBLA 3; GAA I; Hi-Tri I, 2, 3, 4; History Club 3; Speech Club 2; Jr.-Sr. Reception Server 2.

KAREN KAY JONES

FHA 1, 2; FNC 2, 3, 4; FBLA 3, Vice-Pres. 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Office Cadet 4; National Honor Society 3, 4.

GARY KEARNEY

Football I, 2, 3, Tri Captain 4; Football Letterman; Basketball I, 2, 3; Basketball Letterman.

LEE KERSHAW

French Club 1, 2; Highest Grade Award on National French

Seniors Will Always







JESSE KETTEMAN

YOLANDA KING GAA 2, 3; Latin Club 3; Hi-Tri 1, 2,

CONNIE KINISON
FHA 1, 2, 4; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; FBLA
3; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3,
Vice-Pres, 4; History Club 2, 3; Chorus
4; Our Town 4; Annie Get Your Gun
4; Sr. Pep Club 4; Concession Stand
Worker 2.

PHIL KIRKMAN
History Club 3, 4; Speech Club 4.
CECILIA KIRKPATRICK
Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3.









MARIBETH LANE

GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; FNC 1, 2; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club Treasurer 4; Mu Alpha Theta 3, 4; History Club 1, 4; Chorus 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Sr. Pep Club 4; Father Knows Best 3; Our Town 4; Girl's State 4.

PATRICIA JANE LARAWAY

Transfer Student from Florida; Pep Club 2; Drama Club 2; Chorus I, 2: Speech Club 4; Science Club 2; Chorus 4: American Field Service Member.

NANCY SENTEL LAUNIUS
FHA 1, 2; GAA 3; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4;
History 2, 3; Echo Typist 1.

Remember B.C.H.S.

SHEILA LEWIS

YFC 1; FHA, Board Member 1, 2, Vice-Pres. of Public Relations 3, Treasurer 4; GAA 1, 3, 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Stage Band 3, 4; Band Contest 3, 4; 3rd Place American Legion Essay 3; All State Band.

NOBLE LINN

Father Knows Best 3; Our Town 4.

CARLA LITTLE

FHA I, 2, 3, 4; GAA I, 2, 3, 4; FTA 3, 4; Library Club I, 2, 3, 4; Mu Alpha Theta 3, 4; Science Club 4; Father Knows Best 3; Our Town 4; National Honor Society 4.







MICHAEL J. MALKOVICH Hi-Y I; History Club 2, 3. DALE ROBERT MARSHALL YFC 1, 2; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4.



LORRIE McCANN

FNC 1, 2. Secretary 3, Board Member 4; Latin Club 2; YFC 1; FTA 1, 2, 4; FHA 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Concession Stand Worker 2; Father Knows Best 3; Junior Homecoming Attendant 3; Daisy Mae Candidate 1, 3.

RICHARD McCARTY French Club 1, Treasurer 2.

GUY RICKY MCDOWELL French Club 1, 2; FFA 3, 4; History Club 3; Chorus 1, 2; Father Knows Best 3.

NOLAN McELYEA ALLAN MILES







End Of High School

BEVERLY MILES

FHA 1. 2: GAA 2: D.O. Club 4: Senior Pep Club 4: Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4: History Essay Ribbon Winner; High Candy Salesman 3: Hobo Day Winner,

DENNIS MILLER

FFA 1, 2, 3, Treasurer 4; Key Club 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 2; Student Council 1, 2; Besterball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Tracl 1, 2, 3, 4

LARRY MILLER

FFA 1, 2, 3, 4, Senior Reporter: Basketball 1: Track 1.





And they call us the Sophisticated Seniors.

KAREN MILLER

History Club 2, 3, Historian 4; FBLA Vice-President 3, President 4; FHA 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Lions Honor Banquet 3; Graduation Usher 3; American Legion Essay Contest-Honorable Mention 3,

SHERRY MILLIGAN

FHA 4: FTA 4: GAA 4: Chorus President 4: Senior Homecoming Attendant; Scarab Royalty 4: Senior Play Usher; Member of Girl's Octate.

TOM MITCHELL

History Club Historian 3, 4; Hi-Y 4; Football I; Wrestling I,







Brings New Beginnings









Is it Richard Burton?



FHA 3, 4: GAA 2: FTA 1, 2, 3, 4: Secretary 3, Treasurer 4: Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4, Council 1, 3 Vice-Pres. 4: Mu Alpha Theta 3, 4: Latin Club Vice-Pres. 2: Saturnalia Slava 1: Student Council 1: Freshman Class Vice Pres; Scarab Staff, Class Editor 1, 2: Jr. Assistant Editor 3: Editor 4: Sr. Pep Club 4: Concession Stand Worker 2: Jr. Play Usher 3: Lion's Honor Banquet 1, 2, 3: Graduation Usher 3: National Honor Society 3, 4: Illinois State Scholarship Semi-Finalist 4: 1st Place American Legion Essay Contest Class III 4.

ILANA NEAL

FHA 4; GAA 1, 2; FTA 1, 2, 3, Parliamentarian 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, Council 4; Sr. Pep Club 4: Art Club 4; History Club 3; Latin Club 2; Mu Alpha Theta 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Twirler 3, 4; Cheerleader 1, 2; Class Treasurer 3, 4; Scarab Staff, Feature Writer 3, Class Editor 4; Echo Ad Solicitor 2; Father Knews Best-Promptor 3; Our Town 4; Homecoming Attendant 4; Concession Stand Worker 2; FNC 1, 2; National Honor Society 3, 4; Dancer for Annie Get Your Gun 4.

LARRY NEWMAN
Football 1, 2; Basketball 1.



"Let me in, let me in!"







LOUISE NORCROSS

GAA 1, 3; FHA 1; History Club 2, 3; Library Club 4; Homecoming Queen 4.

RICHARD O'KEEFE

Art Club 4: History Club 3, 4: Wrestling 1, 2, 3: Basketball 1: Football 1, 2, 3, 4: Letterman 1, 2, 4.

BRENDA OWENS

Seniors Experienced

ROY PARKER

History Club 3; Key Club 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, Tri Captain 4, Football Letterman; Wrestling 1, 2, 3; Track 1.

WADE PARKHILL

Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Tri Captain 4; Football Letterman; Track 2, 3, 4; Wrestling 2, 4; All Conference End: All Southern Illinois End; Senior Play Stage Crew.











ROBBIE PEARSON

Hi-Y I, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2: YFC I, 2: Band 1, 2, 3, 4: Pep Band 2, 3, 4: Stage Band 3: Band Contest 2: Senior Play-Our Town.

DAVID PERKINS

Hi-Y 1, 2: Latin Club 2: Concession Worker 2: Golf 1. 2, 3, 4: Golf Medalist 3: South Seven Golf Medalist 3.



French Club 2; Speech Club 1, 2; Football 2.

LINDA PIAZZA

History Club 2; FHA 1; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOHN R. PICANTINE
Football 1; Track 1, 2; Wrestling 1, 2.

BRAD PIOVESON

Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary 3, President 4; Math Club 3, Treasurer 4; Latin Club 2; Science Club 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Speech Club 4; YMCA Youth and Government; Civil Air Patrol 1, 3, 4; Concession Worker 2; Math Field Day Contestant 1, 2, 3; Debate Team 4; Latin Club Slave 1; Illinois State Scholarship Semi-finalist 4; National Merit Letter Of Commendation 4; Lions Honor Banquet 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Football Letterman 3, 4.



Many Excitements And Thrills





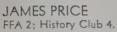
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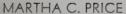
Math Club 3, Vice-President 4; Latin Club 2; Echo Sports Writer 1, 2; Sports Editor 3; Co-Editor 4; Cross Country 4; Lions Honor Banquet 2, 3, 4; Illinois State Scholarship Semi-finalist 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Math Field Day 2, 3; Junior Play-Father Knows Best.

DENNIS POOLE

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Math Club 4; Science Club 4; Basketball 2.

ROY POTTS
Hi-Y 1, 2; History Club 2, 3; D.O. Club 3; Football 1, 2.





Latin Club 2; FHA 4; History Club 3; FNC 1; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Speech Club 2, 4; GAA 3, 4; Math Club 3, 4; Senior Pep Club; National Honor Society 3, 4; Junior Play Stage Crew.

PAULA REECE

FNC 2: History Club 3, 4; Math Club 3, 4; Science Club 4: Art Club 4: National Honor Society 3, 4; Student Historian of the Month 3.







GARY REED
Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4; Speach Club 2; Football 2.
DON RICE
Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Pep Band, Stage Band.







CHRISTY SADLER

Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; FTA 1, 2, Historian 3, Vice-President 4; FNC 1, 2; GAA 1, 2; YFC 1; History Club 3; Latin Club 2; Speech Club 2, 4; Math Club 4; Art Club 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Lions Honor Banquet 3; Senior Pep Club 4; Concession Worker 2; Science Club 2, 3, Secretary 4; Echo Staff 1, Ad Solicitor 3, 4; Scarab Staff Feature Writer 2, 3, Senior Class Editor 4; Junior Play-Father Knows Best; Senior Play-Our Town; Musical- Annie Get Your Gun.

SHARON SANDERS

Latin Club 2; History Club 3; FHA 3; FBLA Reporter 3; YFC 2; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Office Cadet 4.

MICKEY SASSANO

Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA 1, 4; FTA 3, 4; History Club Historian 3, President 4; French Club 2, 3; Speech Club 4; Scarab Staff Ad Solicitor 4; Concession Worker 2; National Honor Society 3, 4; Junior Play-Father Knows Best; Senior Play-Our Town.

DANNY SEVERIN

Tuff And Great

RICHARD SHAW

Hi-Y I, 2: Latin Club 2: YFC 2: Key Club: Football I, 2, 3, 4: Basketball I, 2: Track I, 2, 3: Freshman and Sophomore Class President: Student Council I, 2: Scarab Royalty I.

MARTHA SKINNER

French Club I, President 2, 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; FTA 3; History Club 3, Vice-President 4; Math Club 3, 4; Hi-Tri Council 2, 3, 4; Library Club 3, 4; Scarab Ad Solicitor 4; Sophomore Class Vice-President; Student Council 2; Concession Worker 2; Office Cadet 4; Youth Power Conference 3; Special Education Conference; National Honor Society 3, 4; DAR Good Citizen Award 4; Lions Honor Banquet 3; Graduation Usher 3.

PATTY SLAYTON Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4.

KERMIT SMITH

Hi-Y 1, 2, 3; History Club 3; Latin Club 2; YFC 1; Speech Club 4; Senior Play-Our Town.







TOM SMITH

DONNIE SNEED

YFC 1; History Club 2, 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Debate Team 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Our Town 4; Annie Get Your Gun 4.



JUDITH ANN SNEED

FHA 2, 4; GAA 1, 3, 4; YFC 1; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Speech Club 4; Latin Club 2; Sr. Pep Club 4; Chorus 2, 4; Office Cadet 4; Scarab Ad Solicitor 4; Our Town 4; Annie Get Your Gun 4.

ROBERT SPAIN



That's The Class Of '68

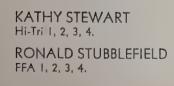


STEVE STELLA

Hi-Y I, 2; YFC I; Key Club 2, 3, Sec.-Treas. 4: Latin Club Pres. 2; Art Club 3, 4; Science Club 2, 3; Semi-finalist for Illinois State Scholarship.

JACKIE STEWART

YFC 1; FTA 1, 2, 3, Pres. 4; GAA 2, 3; FHA 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Letin Club 2; Speech Club 2; Mu Alpha Theta 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Echo Feature Writer 2, 3, 4; Scarab Ad Solicitor 4; Class Secretary 3: Saturnalia Slave 1; Concession Stand Worker 2; Lion's Club Honor Banquet 2, 3; Graduation Usher 3; Scarab Royalty 4; Father Knows Best 3; Our Town 4.



Seniors Value Final







MARSHA SUMMERS FHA 2; YFC 1; Bond 1, 2.

RONNIE TALLEY
French Club 2; History Club 3; Father
Knows Best 3; Our Town 4.

BRUCETAYLOR
Hi-Y 2; Latin Club 2; History Club
3; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Golf 2: Chamber of Commerce Letterman's Banquet 4.

PAT TINDALL

Hi-Y I, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; History Club 3; Mu Alpha Theta 4; Science Club 2; Cross Country I, 2; Track I, 2, 3, 4; Basketball I, 2, 4; Chamber of Commerce Letterman's Banquet 4.

PHIL TOMS
History Club 3: Football 1, 3: Wrestling 1, 3.









JUDY LYNN TREECE

FNC 1: FHA 1, 2: GAA 1, 2: YFC 1: Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4: Chorus 1, 2: Office Cadet 4: Jr.-Sr. Reception Server 2.

CARROL C. WALKER

Latin Club 2; History Club 3; Science Club 4; Hi-Y 3; Mu Alpha Theta 4; National Honor Society 3, 4.

PATRICIA WALLER Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4.

KAREN WEBB

Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 2; History Club 2; FBLA 4; FHA 3, Vice-Pres. Public Relations 4.

JUDY WELCH

Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; FBLA 3; YFC 1; GAA 2; FHA 4.







Glimpses Of B.C.H.S.

CHERYL GWEN WHITTINGTON

FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; GAA 1; FNC 2, 3, 4; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 2, Treasurer 3, 4.

DONNA WIGGINS

FNC 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3; GAA 1, 2, 3, 4; FTA 1, 2; YFC 1; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; Speech Club 3, 4; Art Club 4; Our Town 4; Jr.-Sr. Reception Server 2

TONY WIGGINS

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2; Wrestling 1, 2.







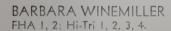




DEBBY WILLIAMS
D.O. 3; GAA 1; Hi-Tri 1, 2, 3, 4; History Club 2; Concession Stand Worker 2.

JOHN WILLIS

YFC 1: Hi-Y 1, 2: History Club 4: Latin Club 2: Speech Club 4: Our Town 4.



RODNEY WYATT

Latin Club 2; History Club 3; Speech Club 4; Football 1.







DEBBY WYSKIEL

GAA I; FHA I, 4; YFC I; FBLA 3; Hi-Tri I, 2, 3, 4;

French Club I; Band I; Lettergirl 4; History Club 2, 3.

LARRY WYSKIEL



Ilana Neal David Choisser

Senior Favorites 1968



Most Athletic
Pat Dietz Bruce Taylor



Most Attractive
Sherry Milligan John Dinkins



Most Popular
Evelyn Jankousky Dick Corn



Friendliest

Elaine Baburnich Kenny Irvin



Most Likely to Succeed

Karen Munoz Ahen Czenski



Most Studious

Christy Sadler Brad Pioveson



Junior Class Officers and Advisors: John Webb, Secretary; Mrs. Hill; Doug Collins, Vice President; Mr. Spicer; Steve Bogard, President; Mr. Glass; Cheri Tindall, Treasurer.



Class Of 1969

As Juniors we have experienced many exciting and memorable events. Becoming upperclassmen was not as fearsome as we supposed. We have met with chemistry, advanced math, American literature, American history, and many of us have excelled in these and other special fields. Our class is proud to have achieved excellence in music, athletics, drama, and journalism.

Class rings were selected in September. In October came the serious business of selling the "World's Finest Chocolate." Our Homecoming float, "Bury the Redbirds," helped spur the Rangers to victory at the game.

As Juniors we have learned many new things and accepted added responsibility, but all of us plan for greater achievements next year.



John D. Alken learns the results from one of the many tests Juniors were required to take during the year.











Martin Adams John D. Aikan Donna Atchison Debbie Auten Becky Bailie

Juniors Proudly



Alan Barnfield



Stella Basham



Dennis Miller and Cindy Lewis collaborate on an assignment.

































Sharon Caraker Shela Clark Lonnie Clymer Steve Cocke Don Collins

Doug Collins Don Conner Paul Coons Eddie Corn Vickie Crisp









Display Class Rings!



David Cunningham David Davis



Darr, Da; Sandra Dam Hei



Susan Diefenbach Paula Dinkins



Juniors proudly admire their selection of class rings.



Romance blossomed in the halls of B.C.H.S.



Debby Douglas Beth Eldridge Dennis Estes

Juniors Prepare



Donald Ezell Ruth Funcanon



Connie Furlong Janet Furlow



Charles Gant David German



Ellen Gibbs Janet Givenrod



Mike Gunter Don Halliday



Junior trackmen rest before the big meet.

Cathy Hamilton Jackie Harben Kathy Harvey Dorothy Hausser



For Final Year!



Ranger fans show their hope for another victory for the basketball team.

Pat Higgins Jo Ann Hines Barbara Hobbs Rosie Hoffstetter







Cathie Hottensen Bill Ing Debbie Jones Denny Jones

Brenda Kays Gwen Kays Linda Kays Mark Kays

Juniors Enjoy





Jackie Keen Fred Kerley





Delbert Kern Mary Jane Kimmel





Tom LaBuwi Phil Lampley





Harold Learned Cindy Lewis



My lunch was in there some place.

Linda Lewis Becky Lipe Royla Loman







Being Upperclassmen



Comics offer a knowledge all their own.





Dan Malkovich Brad Mandrell







Becky McCollum Sharon McLearin Dennis Miller





Joh Miltor Bill Mitchell Scott Mitchell John Moore Richard Neun'st

Juniors Earn \$65



















Linda Page Nancy Pape C. J. Parris Brad Payne Roberta Payne





Marilyn Pope Sharon Randall



Mary Ellen Rea



Lunch time was brightened by a **new** look in the cafeteria.











Donna Soverin Bob Shank Valerie Sheridan Sara Shutt Laura Skinner

n Candy Sales!



I'm thinking! I'm thinking!



Becky Smith Bob Smith Dow Smith John Smoot Gary Smothers

Dennis Sneed Danny Stewart Gary Stewart Robert Stewart Karen Stubblefield



Look out seniors, here we come!



Mike Tate Cheri Tindall Jan Thomann

Jim Thomas Kathy Thomas Pat Todd



Juniors Achieve



Nancee Whittington John Wiggins Gary Wilkerson Gary Wilkerson



Kirby Williams Larry Williams Margio Williams Jerry Willis



All work and no play would make me a very dull boy!

Excellence In Many Areas.



Mary C. Wilson Nancy Wilson





"Games people play!"



Sophomore Class Officers and Sponsors: Kendra Marshall, Secretary; Gary Lemmon, Vice-President; John Moore, President; Joyce Cox, Treasurer; Mrs. Rea, Mr. Rea, and Mr. Trutove.



Class Of 1970

The Sophomore class started this year with only a minimum number of people forgetting their locker combinations, but it didn't take long for the class to start to function normally.

The Sophomore class, as usual, handled the concession stand and quite a few of them will have hectic memories of cokes spilled, popped corn all over the place, and sticky change. The student council got busy on ways for the sophomores to make some money. So it was candles, zip code directories, and polywogs—not the genetic type, candy. From selling these we made a profit of \$700.00.

For the first sime in the history of the Sadie Hawkins Dance the Sophomore candidates, John Moore and Sharon Wilkerson, had the honor of being Daisy Mae and Little Abner.

The Sophomores enjoyed this year to its fullest and are looking ahead to two more great years at the greatest of alma maters—B.C.H.S.



Sharon Wilkerson and John Moore were chosen Daisy Mae and Lil Abner at the Sadie Hawkins dance.



Debbie Aaron Carolyn Adams Deniso Alexander Carol Allen Patty Auten Connie Bacon

Gayla Bacon Barbara Bain Judy Barton Delenise Beaty Rosie Bettress Bruce Bollero

Joe Bortoletto Gary Braden Terri Burwell Sherry Burzynski John Cambron Cathy Caraker

Sophomores Step Ahead!



Harry Chaffin Scott Choisser Kenneth Cluck Jeff Cohoon Jean Ann Corn Courtney Cox

Joyce Cox Debra Davis Jack Davis Rodney Dial Tom Doty Alice Eickelman

Robert Eubanks Debbie Festavan Linda Fisher Vernon Fisher Mike Fitzpatrick David Foster



Karla Frost Elana Fustin Connie Galloway Mary Jana Garbo Thelma Gibbs Debbio Gladson

Kaye Goff Mike Gordon Mike Gostowski Rudy Gostowski Jackie Graves Jim Groves

Where Are They Headed?

Danny Gulley Eddie Hale Brett Hall Cynthia Hall Jim Hamilton Mary Hammond

Judy Herbek Brad Hill Brandy Hill Kris Hill Debbie Hobbs Robert Hobbs

Ted Howard Jim Hudson Janet Hunter Phyllis Hutchcraft Dale Irvin Mark Jackson















John Janes Paul Johnson Cynthia Jones Melvin Jones Mark Joplin John Kasky



David Kearney Gary Kearney Janice Ketteman Dennis Kinkade Mike Kinkade

Terry Kirkpatrick Marilyn Knight Mark Kovach Debbie Lampley Tom Lampley



Connie Bacon and Debbie Gladson "swing out" at the Sadie Hawkins' Dance.



Bill Laraway Alice Layman Tom Learned Gary Lemmon Bruce Lindsay

Pam Mandrell Kendra Marshall Evonne Mason Fred McAfoos Kathie McCreery

Randy Meacham Carol Melvin Nancy Miles Becky Miller Mike Miller

Oneida Miller Mary Minor Rusine Mitchell John Mocaby Richard Montoya John Moore

Mary J. Moore Mark Moss Don Mrogenski David Mullins John Munoz Jim Neal

Phyllis Neal Vicki Noel Paula Odom Brad Pace Deanna Page Robert E. Page

Robert L. Page Dennis Parker Steve Patten Carolyn Payne Scott Pearcy Laurie Pearson







John Moore contemplates the future years.

Cindy Ponder Mike Poole Carol Powell Pat Price Pam Pritchard

Bob Rea Mike Rice Dennis Rich Bette Jon Schrade Ruthie Sentel

Kathy Shelton Kathy Sink Don Smith Jim Smothers Charles Spain

Brenda Spencer Danny Stewart Evan Stewart Donald Storey Mike Storey



Sophomores Try Their Luck In Biology

Sydney Stotlar Charles Sullivan Larry Summary Dwight Summers Lynda Summers



Paula Swyear Nancy Taylor Mike Terry Alan Thomas Harriet Thomas Doreen Todd

Ralph Todd Robert Todd Larry Toms Roger Treece Pete Troyan John Underwood







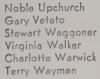












Charlotte Webb
Janice Webb
Ronnie Webb
Charleen West
Charles White
Nancy Whittington

Future Leaders?



Linda Wiggins Eileen Wilkerson Keith Wilkerson Larry Wilkerson Sharon Wilkerson Bruce Williams

Jan Williams Frank Williams Ronald Willis Vivian Willis Kathy Winston Mike Zinzilieta



Freshman Class Officers and Sponsors: Alice Jankousky, Treasurer; Mrs. Little; Vickie Moore, Secretary; Mr. Aiken; Robin Moss, Vice-President; Hugh Frailey, President.

Class Of 1971

The class of 1971 descended **en masse** upon the halls of B.C.H.S. for the first time on Monday, August 28, 1967. Our freshman year marks many firsts for all of us.

- -first Echo
- —first election of class officers.
- —first float for Homecoming

And how about the incidentals—

first "third hour bulletin"

first month on the last lunch bell?

These are among the things we'll remember when we look back next year.



Freshmen also contribute for the need of others.

Ray Adams Roger Adkins Vicki Akin Cecil Atchison Chip Baburnich





















Brad Barham Ricky Barton Paula Baumgarte Debbie Beard Becky Bennett

High School Life'

Darrell Bigham June Bohn Sheila Booth Debbie Braden John Bradley





















Brenda Briley Danny Britton Joe Bob Buchanan Paula Budzak Rosemary Burnett

Janice Carden Willie Carter Jane Chancey Gary Chaney Andy Cluck





















Gary Cohen Nathan Colvin Alice Coulter Mark Crisp Georgia Curry











George Cybulski Connie Darnoll Roger Davis Tim Eldridge Greg Finn

Jerry Fitzpatrick Ricky Fitzpatrick Linda Fortman Hugh Frailey Karen Freeman











Intrigues Freshmen!











Kenny Frost Pam Frost Cynthia Galloway Jim Gammon Helen Gant























Ila Gostowski Vickie Green Lee Grimmett John Gulley Jo Gulley















"I just love Modern Algebra."



Sharon Hogan Carol Holden

Carla Hottensen Michael Houseworth

Freshmen Striv

David Howard Kathy Ice Mark Ingram Alice Jankousky James Jobe







































Kathy Knutsen Robin LaBuwi Allen Lampley Donald Lampley Susan Laraway

Vickie Layman David Lockin Brad Loman Gary Mabry Ed Mandrell























For Higher Goals











Jeanne Milburn Bill Millikan Diane Minor Mike Mitchell Barbara Moore











Vickie Moore Robin Moss Keith Neal Dennis Odle Janis Odom











Keith Patten Randy Pearce

Mark Ingram takes time out for a refreshing drink.



Ed Perry Connie Pierson Jim Preslar Paulina Prior Paula Pyszka

Ralph Ramsey Roger Reece Debbie Reed Denece Rhine Jeri Robinson

Freshmen Look Forward

Robert Rogers Ricky Rone Vickle Rone Brenda Rusher Dale Schafer



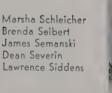










































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Ron Taylor Marilyn Tedeschi Debbie Tennant Christal Tepovich Ricky Thomas











To Three More Years At B.C.H.S.

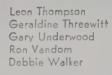






















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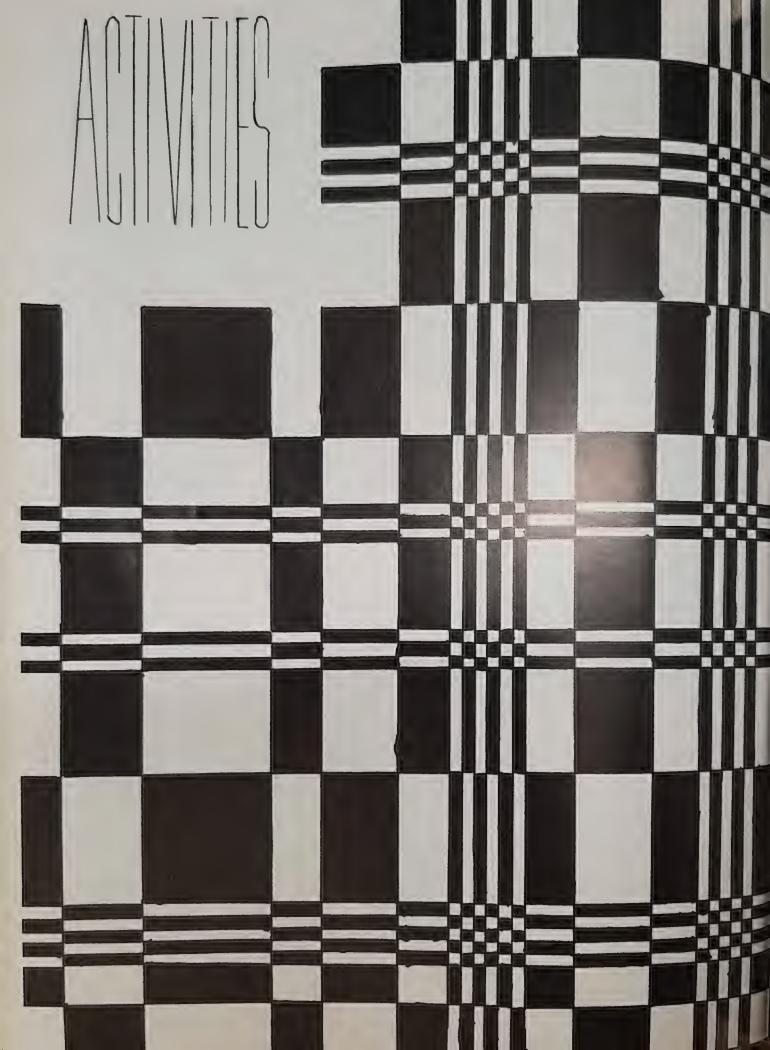














1967 Homecoming



Faculty members in self-defense took up the motto, "Speak no evil, hear no evil, see no evil."

Homecoming, 1967, found everyone as "busy as bees." No one really knew what the faculty was like until they presented "the homecoming that was", a famous first at B.C.H.S., and brought the audience to hilarious laughter.

The Senior Class and the Art Club won 1st place in floats for their new psychedelic sounds and colors.

The festivities were brought to a thrilling climax with an exciting game at West Frankfort and the crowning of our beautiful queen, Miss Louise Norcross.



Mr. Finley supervises the staging of the lighting effects.



The rose trellis begins to take shape!

Takes Shape



Jane Bailey works by the light of the silvery meen.



Mrs. Roberts knew "all work and no play" would make these seniors dull girls.



Students became artists for a day.



Lighting was important in preparing the queen's court.



Would you believe this was the rose trellis before it was finished?



Without the aid of dedicated workers, Homecoming could not have been a success.



New Attractions

The Homecoming pep session was invaded by hippies.



Oh, you've got to be kidding!



The football players seem to be enjoying a pep session planned especially for them.



"But I don't want to retire!"

Make Homecoming Best Yet



The senior class and Art Club won first prize with "Psyche Out a Victory."



FFA boys spent many long hours working on their float.



Science Club gambled on the Rangers.



"After the parade"

Queen Louise Reigns



Miss Louise Norcross being escorted to her throne by Gary Kearney and Roy Parker.

In The Misty Moonlight



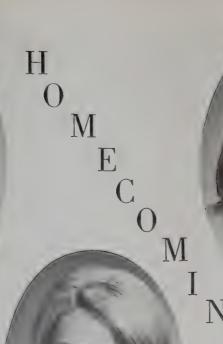
Queen Louise Norcross reigns over Homecoming, 1967.





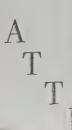


SHERRY MILLIGAN Senior



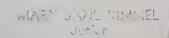


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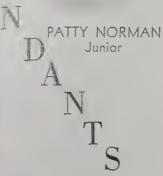
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JANE CHANCEY Freshman



JUDY BARTON Sophomore





ROBIN MOSS Freshman



Sherry Milligan and Danny Johnson were chosen Scarab Royalty King and Queen.

Scarab Royalty

By popular vote of the student boy, Sherry Milligan and Danny Johnson were chosen to reign over this year's Scarab.



Senior attendants: Jackie Stewart and Dennis Miller



Sophomore attendants: Sharon Wilkerson and Brandy Hill



Junior attendants: Karen Odom and Doug Chilling



Freshman attendants: Jane Chancey and Dennis Smith

Outstanding Senion



Elaine Baburnich— Hi-Tri president, State Hi-Tri president, cheerleader captain, Homecoming attendant.

By vote of secret ballot, Mr. Genisio, the faculty, and the office staff selects those seniors who in their estimation fulfill the qualifications of outstanding seniors. These students are chosen on the basis of personal achievement, scholastic ability, community service, character, and personality. This is one of the highest honors a senior at B.C.H.S. can earn.



Brad Pioveson— Hi-Y President, Math Club Treasurer, National Honor Society, Debate Team, Football, YMCA Youth and Government, Civil Air Patrol, National Merit Letter of Commendation.



Evelyn Jankousky—
Echo Co-editor, Student Council Vicepresident, Scarab Royalty, Cheerleader, Science Club Vice-president,
Homecoming Attendant, Scarab Royalty.

Number Nine



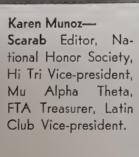
Allen Czenski— Math Club President, Speech Club President, Student Council, National Honor Society, Graduation Marshall, Scarab Layout Editor.



Christy Sadler— FTA Historian, Vice-president, National Honor Society, Science Club Secretary, Scarab Senior Class Editor, Senior Play-Our Town.



Janet Frailey—
Student Council Secretary, Band President, Scarab Royalty, Senior Class Vice-president.





Dick Corn—
Athlete, Key Club President, Student
Council President, Scarab Royalty.



Danny Johnson was selected to the All-Tournament Team at the Centralia Holiday Tournament, and also was chosen the Most Valuable Player.

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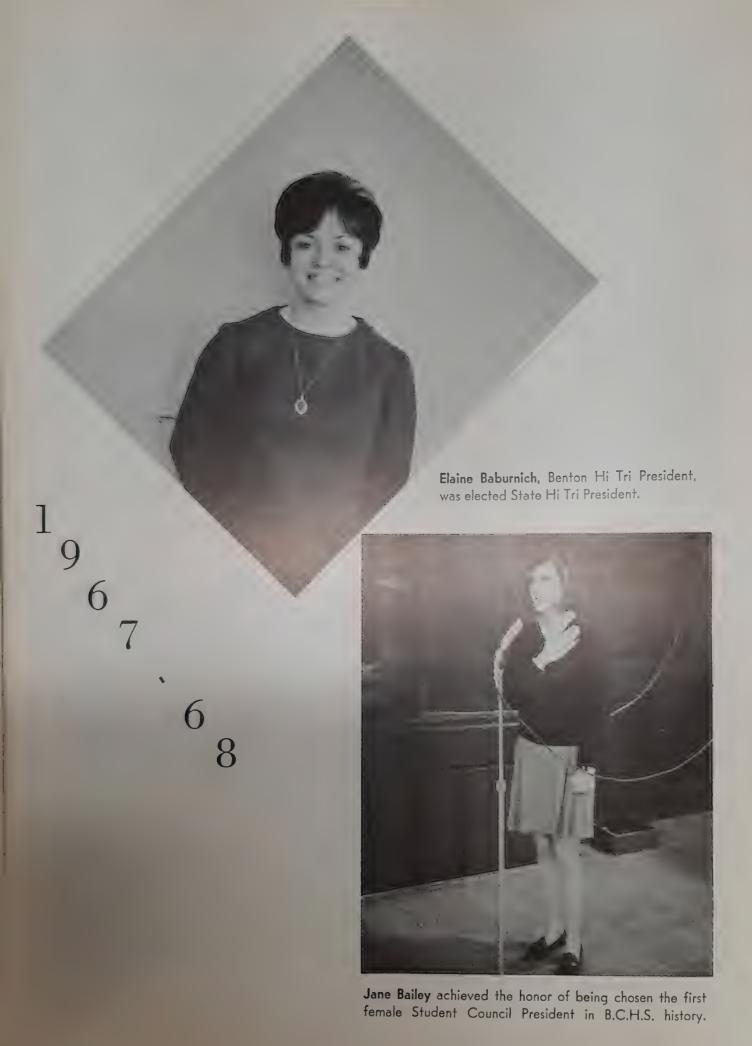
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Brad Pioveson received a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Foundation.



Kathy Hobbs was the recipient of the Betty Crocker Award.





ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARSHIP SEMI-FINALISTS: Becky Browning, Donnie Sneed, Carla Little, David Choisser, Becca Edwards, Brad Pioveson, Karen Munoz, Allen Czenski, Jackie Stewart, Mark Ewing. Evelyn Jankousky, and Mark Ponder.

B.C.H.S. Students



2nd CLASS AMERICAN LEGION ESSAY WINNERS: Stewart Waggoner, 2nd; Oneida Miller, 3rd; John Gulley, 1st.



3rd CLASS AMERICAN LEGION ESSAY WINNERS: Karen Munoz, 1st; Allen Czenski, 2nd; Sharon Adkins, 3rd.



Paul Shockley won 1st place in the district track meet and placed in the state meet.



Wade Parkhill was named to the All Conference Football team by the Evansville C \neg respectively.

Strive For Excellence



The Benton Ranger basketball team won the Consolation trophy at the Centralia Tournament, won the Quad City Tournament, and won the conference championship for the third straight year.



Seniors Put
Forth Great
Effort
For Hit
Dramatic Play

Stage manager—Kermit Smith.

"This play is called 'Our Town.' In it you will see



"Look at that wonderful moon."



Christy Sadler as Emily and Noble Linn as George have just been married.



.. THE CAST

Stage Manager	Kormit Smith
Dr. Gibbs	Allen Czenski
Joe Crowell	Ronnie Tallev
Howie Newsome	John Willis
Mrs. Gibbs	
Mrs. Webb	Evelyn Jankousky
George Gibbs	Noble Linn
Rebecca Gibbs	Elaine Baburnich
Wally Webb	Mark Ewing
Emily Webb	Christy Sadler
Professor Willard	Mark Ewing
Mr. Webb	Terry Conci
Woman in the balcony	Pat Dietz
Man in the Auditorium	. Ronnie Hansen
Lady in the box	Saundra Johnson
Simon Stimson	
Mrs. Soames	
Constable Warren	
Si Crowell	
Sam Craig	
Joe Stoddard	
Asst. Stage Managers	
7.551. Stage (Managera 17, 1711)	Wade Parkhill
People of the town	1100010111111
Connie Kinison, Saundra Johnson, Pat Dietz, Janet Fra	ilev. Judy Sneed
Maribeth Lane, Mickey Sassano, Becky Browning, Donna	Wiggins Romin
Hansen, and Denny Benns.	Wiggins, Konnie
Flansen, and Denny Denns,	

Many long hours were spent in preparation for the "big" night.

"Our

The Senior Class this year undertook a task not pursued in many years at B.C.H.S. Under the capable direction of Mrs. Elliott Pujol, a serioss dramatic play Our Town was presented. Senior members displayed much enthusiasm for their play, as was evident in the turnout for parts. Long hours of practice were experienced by the entire cast. Lead roles were filled by Christy Sadler, Noble Linn and Kermit Smith with a multitude of other parts backing them up. From the attitude of the audience, the play proved to be a huge success.



Everything helps make the play a success.



The old set goes down as new scenery is created.

Town"



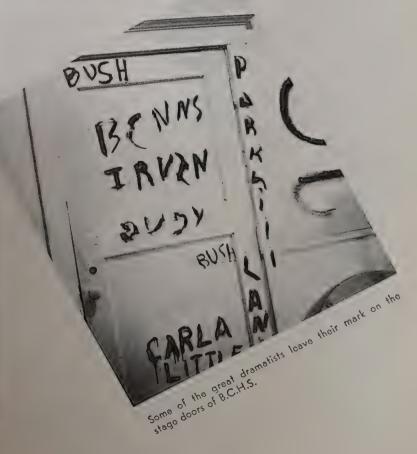
Saundra Johnson carefully applies the mile-up before she goes on stage.



Mr. Elliott Pujol shows the technique of applying stage make-up.



Our everlasting memories.



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The Editor of the Scarab, Karen Munoz, gives out daily assignments.

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During a busy schedule of picture-taking Karen and Mrs, Pujol pause for a joke with Mrs. Koller.



Mrs. Pujol worked hard during her first year as advisor of the Scarab.

The 1968 "Scarab" staff of Benton Consolidated High School, has worked hard and diligently to create the largest yearbook in B.C.H.S. history. The long, tedious hours of work and planning are reflected throughout the book. This year the staff has emplayed the use of more color pictures, uniqueness in designs, and well-constructed lay-outs that are sure to make this edition of the Scarab. one of the most well-liked for many years to come.

Karen Munoz, Pat Deitz, Allen Czenski, Becca Edwards, and Beth Eldridge, under the supervision of Mrs. Nancy Pujol, faithfully their time everyday 6th to produce the 1968 Scare Many other students also bevoted portions of their time.



Room 4 was the scene of many hard days of work for assistant editors Beth Eldridge and Pat Deitz.



Becca Edwards, feature editor, and Carla Little, business manager, were vital assets to the Scarab.



The well organized lay-outs of this book were created by lay-out editor, Allen Czenski.



The Scarab photographers, Joe Bortoletto, Chip Baburnich, and Greg Kimmel, often found the most unusual places.

The "New" Look Was

Feature Writers: Steve Bogard, Ruth Funcanon, Cynthia Hall, Sally Nowikowski, Marcia Davis, Evelyn Jankousky,



Ad Solicitors: Sherry Milligan, Janet Frailey, Mickey Sassano, Martha Skinner, Sally Swift, Saundra Johnson, Connie Cushman, Judy Sneed, Elaine Baburnich, Pam Crisp, Jackie Stewart, Janet Givenrod.

Class Editors: Seniors; Ilana Neal, Christy Sadler, Mary Anne Hill Sophomore; Becky Miller Juniors; Becky Mc-Collum, Cathy Hamilton, Mary Ellen Rea, Freshmen; Denece Rhine, Paula Budzak.



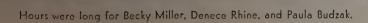
The Staff's Goal!



John D. Aiken and Gary Lemmon produced colorful sports stories.



Mr. Paul Hickman rendered a vital service with his excellent photography.



"Get those Echo stories in!" is a statement often seen in the Daily Bulletin, and Echo writers know that that means business. This year's staff was composed of a little over twenty volunteer members. The members worked out of class and produced a paper once a month. Echo editors attended the editor's conference held at SIU in the early fall. All members were invited to attend the annual SISPA conference held in the spring. Before Homecoming festivities began, staff members helped to make Homecoming posters.

Reporters found that by turning in a story regularly, they learned responsibility and gained valuable experience in the field of creative writing.

Mini-Echo Makes First Appearance At B.C.H.S.



Three wheels that kept the news rolling were Co-Editors Evelyn Jankousky and Mark Ponder and Advisor Miss Burkhart.



Feature Writers: Becky McCollum, Oneida Miller, Karen Odom, Debbie Aaron, Royla Loman, Cathy Hamilton, Ruth Funcanon, Janet Frailey, Mary Ellen Rea, Linda Page, and Brad Loman.



Larry Williams, Stan Harvey, Becky Miller, Brad Pace, and Gary Lemmon kept us informed on the sports events at B.C.H.S.



News writers for the Echo were Linda Page, Sally Swift, Janet Givenrod, Steve Bogard, Sally Nowikowski, and Judi Webb.



Cheryl Browning, Linda Page, Janice Hart, Donna Severin, Debbie Lampley, and Margaret Brandibas were responsible for typing the Echo.



Christy Sadler, Brandy Hill, Patty Norman, Sydney Stotlar, Elaine Baburnich, and Debbie Jones had the big job of soliciting ads for the Echo.



First Row: Pam Crisp, Clara Jilek, Maribeth Lane, Becky Browning, Martha Price, Lorrie McCann, Jackie Stewart, Christy Sadler, Kathy Hobbs. Second Row: Janet Frailey, Mary Anne Hill, Mickey Sassano, Martha Skinner, Becca Edwards, Pat Deitz, Karen Munoz, Evelyn Jankousky, Ilana Neal. Third Row: Allen Czenski, Carla Little, Marcia Davis, Janice Hart, Karen Jones, Paula Reece, John Bortoletto. Fourth Row: Carrol Walker, Mark Ponder, David Choisser, Brad Pioveson, Dick Corn, Donnie Sneed, Bruce Craddock.

Top Students Gain Membership In National Honor Society

The Benton Chapter, No. 10243, of the National Honor Society was organized in 1962. Since that time, new members have been initiated annually in May. This year there were 33 members.

The purpose of this organization is to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, and to develop character in the students of American secondary schools.

In the election to the National Honor Society, the faculty is honoring the student for the attainments already made and for the promise of continued high achievements.



The sponsors are Mr. Gulley, Mrs. Craddock, and Mr. Rhodes.



Toni Johnston, Brenda Seibert, Patty Norman, Laurie Pearson, Evelyn Jankousky, Robin Moss, Kaye Wills, John Kasky, Laird Wisely, Gary Lemmon, Hugh Frailey, Janet Frailey, Cheri Tindall, Steve Bogard, Doug Collins, Dick Corn.

Student Council Elects First Female President

By electing a student council B.C.H.S. students take part in and share the responsibility of school government. The Student Council remained on call throughout the year to help with school projects.

The council arranges for all elections at B.C.H.S. They are also in charge of Homecoming decorations and ticket sales. Each year the Student Council spearheads the March of Dimes drive by sponsoring a basketball game. The council president presides over school assemblies.



OFFICERS: President, Jane Bailey; Vice-President, Evelyn Jankousky; Secretary, Janet Frailey; and Treasurer, Dick Corn.



OFFICERS: Steve Stella, Secretary; Gary Kearney, Vice-President; Dick Corn, President; Mr. Gulley, Sponsor.

Key Club Solicits For March Of Dimes



John Bortoletto informs us of next week's events.

The Kiwani-sponsored Key Club had a busy schedule this past year. The boys participated in se enal worthwhile community projects and drives. The Key Club is responsible for the sign in front of the school which kept us and the community posted on coming events. The purpose of the Key Club is to promote leadership and to give the boys opportunities to work together in their school and community.



Joe Milton receives his Math Club certificate from President Allen Czenski.

Mu Alpha Theta is the National High School and Junior College Mathematics Club. The more interesting aspects of the mathematics field were studied during the regular meetings held twice a month. The senior members along with outside speakers presented the programs. In January, the initiation ceremony for the new members was held. The McLeansboro Chapter of Mu Alpha Theta was present at this meeting. The election of new officers took place in May and the year was ended with a picnic for the graduating seniors.

19 Students Initiated Into Mu Alpha Theta



OFFICERS: Allon Czenski, President; Brad Pioveson, Treasurer; Jackie Stewart, Socretary; Mark Ponder, Vice-president; Mr. Glass, Sponsor.



Evelyn Jankcusky, Ilana Neal, and Becca Edwards served refreshments to the Benton and McLeansboro chapters of Mu Alpha Theta.

Benton Hi-Tri Girls



OFFICERS: Janet Frailey, Treasurer; Elaine Baburnich, President; Miss Armentrout, Sponsor; Karen Munoz, Vice-President; Evelyn Jankousky, Secretary.



COUNCIL: Ist Row: Jane Chancey, Alice Jankousky, June Bohn, Ilana Neal, Cheri Tindall, Martha Skinner, Becca Edwards, Beth Eldridge, Judy Barton, Karen Odum. Kneeling: Judy Herbek, Sharon Wilkerson, Frances Mick, Mary Anne Hill, Barbara Hobbs, Debbie Aaron.

A large number of B.C.H.S. girls were involved in Hi-Tri activities. Freshman girls were initiated into the club in November at the traditional ceremony and tea. The fall conference was held at Benton. The spring conference was held at Mt. Vernon. For the girls to say their goodbyes, a Mother-Daughter banquet was held in May. The Hi-Tri was responsible for the Homecoming decorations and the Christmas tree in the main hall. Elaine Baburnich was elected state Hi-Tri president.

Host Fall Conference



Mary Ann Hill, Connie Kinison, and Courtney Cox provided enjoyable entertainment at the fall conference.



Much hard work and preparation made the Hi Tri conference a success.



"Another Cinderella" was relived by the Hi Tri girls on the Benton stage.



Mothers and daughters socialized at the Freshmen Hi Tri Initiation.



Donna Wiggins transformed her self into the "Girl From Wolverton Mountain."

Vivé La French Club



Mr. Shepard, Sponsor; Larry Williams, President; Eddie Perry, Vice-President; Jane Chancey, Treasurer, Jan Williams, Secretary.

The French Club is one group in our school that remains active all year long. Its many activities include a puppy raffle, entering a float in the Homecoming parade, and celebrating French Independence Day on July 14. The celebration this year was a dinner at the Holiday Inn. During the second semester, a French native, Mrs. Whittington, comes to the classes to help the students.



Is Chip Baburnich joining the French Foreign Legion?

Latin Club Raffles "Slave For A Day"

The Latin Club is composed of all Latin II students. This year the Latin Club entered their Homecoming float, "Food For The Gods." Every Latin student looked forward to the Saturnalia, which was held in December. The club ended the year with the annual slave raffle. Miss Armentrout sponsored the Latin Club.



John Munoz and Brad Hill feast like kings at the Latin Club Saturnalia.



OFFICERS: Kathy Sink, Secretary; John Munoz, Vice-President; Patty Auten, Treasurer; Stan Harvey, President.

FFA Members Learn New Methods Of Agriculture



OFFICERS: Dennis Miller, Treasurer; Larry Miller, Reporter; Gary Kearney, Vice-President; Mr. Finley, Sponsor; Larry Beaty, President; Bob Ing, Secretary; Mike Cavaness, Sentinel.

The F.F.A. was a busy organization as the boys attended grain shows, soil judging contests, and were of service to farmers of the county. The Farmer's Ball, in conjunction with the Future Homemakers of America, is their "social" event of the year. Highlighting the night's activities is the crowning of the queen, coupled with square dancing, and a high atmosphere of revelry. In the Homecoming parade, the F.F.A. float won second place.



Queen Roberta Basham and King Ronnie Stubblefield are crowned at the "Farmer's Ball".



FFA boys worked hard on their float, "Abe says, 'Split the Redbirds'."

FHA Girls Enjoy Get-Acquainted Picnic

A large group of girls were involved in F.H.A. in the past year. To get everyone back into the groove, the F.H.A. held a "back to school" dance in August. As for fall activities, this club had a "getacquainted" picnic for all girls interested in F.H.A. The girls painted trash barrels as a gift to the city, and took a trip to the Beauty Hut for new hair styles for Homecoming. F.H.A. also joined in planning and decorating for Homecoming. In December the F.F.A. and F.H.A. held a Farmer's Ball. They had a talent show and potluck for the members' parents. A formal initiation of new members and a style show and tea for eighth grade students and mothers were held in February. The busy year closed with the formal installation for incoming officers.



OFFICERS: Dabbie Fastavan, Dagreps: Connia Cuchman, Secretary; Becky Brownita, President; Marcia Davin, Project Mrs. Dabape, Spansor; Karen Webb, Public Arbeitons; Ginger Crompent and Vice Flesident; Vickie Adkins, 1st Vice-President; Sheila Lewis, Treasurer; Peggy Hith Historian; Janet Frailey, Recreation; Mrs. Roberts, Sponsor.



FHA'ers studied child care and "experimented" on this small child.



These "fun-loving" seniors, Jackie Stewart and Janet Frailey, "clown" around at the fall picnic.



Cheryl Browning, Treasurer; Karen Jones, Vice-President; Mrs. Trulove, sponsor; Karen Miller, President; Janice Hart, Secretary.

Tomorrow's Business Leaders



Janice Hart increases her knowledge of office practice by working in the office during her free period.

F.B.L.A. is an organization for students wishing to pursue a business career. Its aim is to acquaint the members with actual business working conditions. The members have bake sales throughout the year, They also help out in the school office.

F.T.A. members continued to serve as tutors to grade school children this year. They helped these children once a week.

In November, F.T.A. members went to Belleville for a Teachers' Workshop.

In April, the club entertained the faculty at a banquet.

The club undertook many projects this year in order to finance a scholarship for one of the senior members who plans to become a teacher.



OFFICERS: Ilana Neal, Parliamentarian; Evelyn Jankousky, Secretary; Christy Sadler, Vice-President; Kathy Harvey, Historian; Mrs. Craddock, Sponsor; Jackie Stewart, President; Karen Munoz, Treasurer.

FTA Sells "Ranger" Calendars



Jackie Stewart sells Coach Herrin the first "Ranger" basketball calendar.



Debby Treadwell, recipient of last year's scholarship, receives her check from Jackie Stewart.

F.N.C. Girls Work At Hospital



Miss Adkisson is attended to by the Future Nurses Club officers.

F.N.C. is a club for girls that are interested in nursing as a career. They took part in many community projects such as, helping at the diabetes clinic and the tuberculin testing. The girls also participated in the health fund drives. Several members volunteered their services at the Franklin Hospital. The year ended with a mother-daughter banquet and the initiation of new officers.



Royla Loman gives aid to one of the patients at the Franklin Hospital.



OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS: Judy Barton, Lorrie McCann, Debbie Baumgarte, Treasurer: Becca Edwards, President: Beth Eldridge, Secretary; Cheri Tindall, Vice-president: Becky Baile, Miss Adkisson, sponsor; and Karen Jones.



Becca Edwards and Both Eldridge receive information for the Heart Fund Drive.



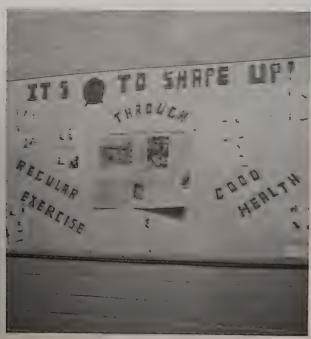
OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS: Donna Severin, Kendra Marshall, Oneida Miller, Maribeth Lane, Mary Anne Hill, Becky Smith, Mrs. Koller, sponsor; Evonne Mason, Pam Crisp, president.

GAA Calls For Lots Of Energy

G.A.A. began this year with a buddy hike for old and new members. The girls participated in intramural contests in basketball and volleyball. The returning members initiated the new members at their Halloween party. A banquet for the girls closed the year.



Poula Odom enjoys an after-school game of softball.



The G.A.A. bulletin board keeps us informed of physical litness programs.

Hi-Y Members Usher At Home Games



OFFICERS: C. J. Parris, Vice-President; Dan Severin, Chaplain: Joe Millon, Treasurer; Brad Pioveson, President; Mr. Miller, Mr. Spicer, Sponsors; John Webb, Secretary, not pictured.

Hi-Y is a club sponsored by the Y.M.C.A. and is open to all the boys of the school. This club is active in school affairs. One of its services is ushering at all the home basketball games. The ushers hand out programs and seat the ushers.



John B. Moore hands out programs to basketball fans as they enter the gym.



LIBRARY CLUB MEMBERS: Micky Sassano, Louise Norcross, Robin Swofford, Connie Kinison, Deronda Kern, Mrs. Little, Loraine Studt, Martha Skinner, and Carla Little.

Library Club Aids The Students.

The library club is composed of eight girls. These girls locate books for students, check the books out, and keep the books in order. The members must acquire knowledge of library science information so they can become efficient workers. The library club keeps an attractive bulletin board of interesting reading material.



Louise Norcross stocks the library with new books.

Diversified Occupations provides on the job training for many students who do not plan to enter college. The students take regular classes in the mornings and report to their jobs in the afternoon. The members are paid while receiving these golden opportunities.



OFFICERS: Sharon Adkins, Mr. Gulley, advisor, Betty Casey, John Dinkins, Debbie Douglas, Danny Day, Teresa Douglas, Kathy Goodrum.

D.O. Students Receive Training



Sharon Adkins assists Dr. Warren Petty, D.D.S.



Mark Kays works for Taco Trim Shop.



Dale Holman takes time out from his work at Stotlar Motors.



Larry Stowers works on the new press at the Benton Evening News.



OFFICERS: David Choisser, President: Evelyn Jankoust A. Vice-provider Christy, Collan Scorntary: Maribach Lane Treasurer.

Future Scientists Explore New Fields

The science club, sponsored by Mr. Spees, is made up of students from the biology, chemistry, and physics classes. The purpose of the club is to explore new fields and to do experiments which the students were unable to do in class. At the meetings, various speakers give lectures and filmstrips are shown. The members worked hard on their Homecoming float this year, which was titled, "Don't Gamble on The Redbirds." In the spring, they had a huge "bash" that was enjoyed by all.



Mr. Spees helps Brad Pioveson and Mark Ponder overcome the difficulties of a science experiment,



HISTORY CLUB OFFICERS: Russell Hargraves, Treasurer: Tom Mitchell, Historian: Marcia Davis, Secretary: Micky Sassano, President; Karen Miller, Historian: Martha Skinner, Vice-President; Mrs. Hidritch, Sponsor.

Illinois Sesquicentennial

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Stella Basham, Paula Reece, and Alice Layman, donned "old fashioned" garments to celebrate "pioneer" days.



Steve Bogard had his essay published in the Illinois History magazine.

During the past year many History Club members have been busy making posters for the sesquicentennial celebration. The History Club held bake sales, took trips to St. Louis and Springfield, and held a successful chili supper. In December, club members prepared baskets for the Benton Nursing Homes. A regional meeting of all history clubs was held in March at Belleville. For this meeting members wrote essays and made projects. The busy year ended with an election of officers and a picnic.

Art Club Organized With Great Enthusiasm!



Many students inspect the creations of the art classes.



Studying causes cancer??

The art club along with the senior class worked very hard on their Homecoming float, "Psyche Out a Victory", which won first place. The members of this club focused their attention on all phases of modern art.



CHAIRMEN: Janet Boldt, Christy Sadler, David Choisser, Steve Stella, and sponsor, Mr. Messersmith.

Speech Club Is Revived



OFFICERS: Mary Ellen Rea, Secretary; Mrs. Pujol, Sponsor; Mary Anne Hill, Vice-President; Allen Czenski, President.

The speech club was reorganized this year with a membership of twenty students. The members took several trips to Southern Illinois University to attend plays performed by the S.I.U. students. They also attended a speech festival at Murphysboro and held several of their own contests.



Christy Sadler won first prize in the prose reading contest.



Donnie Sneed won first prize in the poetry reading contest.



DEBATE TEAM consisted of Ronnie Hansen, Kathy McCreery, Allen Czenski, Brad Pioveson, John B. Moore, Pat Deitz, and Donnie Sneed.

Debate Team Develops Minds Of Team Members

This year a debating team was added to the many other organizations at Benton High School. The team worked all year toward a national debate contest. The topic of the contest was crime. Debating brings attention to serious problems and helps develop the minds of the team members.



Ronnie Hansen and Donnie Sneed practice their remarks before a contest.



The B.C.H.S. Chorus Filled
The Air With Music



Holiday spirit filled the air during the Christmas concert.



Mixed Chorus: Dow Smith, Marilyn Pope, Denny Overturf, Debbie Lampley, Randy Pearce, Royla Loman, Bill McCreery, Mary Jane Kimmel.



Chorus Accompanists: Mary Ellen Rea, Marcia Davis, Brenda Seibert.

Under the new direction of Mrs. Betty Frailey, the B.C.H.S. chorus was one of the largest in history. The over eighty members attended music camps, participated in a Christmas russical, and performed for various clubs. The charus also contained a few special groups which performed at civic functions. In the musical, "Annie Get Your Gun" the chorus played a vital role.



Allstate Chorus: Sherry Milligan Mary Ann Hill, Dow Smith, Judy Burzynski, Rick Montoya, Onieda Miller. Bill McCreery, Jo Gulley.



Girls Octet: Mary Ann Hill, Judy Burzynski, Connie Kinison, Maribeth Lane, Marcia Davis, Sherry Milligan, Janet Frailey, Judy Sneed.

Flashing Rangers



Lettergirls: Margie Brandibas, Nancy Pape, Donna Atchison, Vicki Crisp, Debbie Lampley, Toni Johnston, Debbie Wyskiel, Janet Hunter.

Leading the B.C.H.S. marching band are the twirlers and lettergirls. Both bought new sparkling uniforms this year. The twirlers performed in more routines, while the lettergirls took a larger part in the half-time shows. All are chosen from many other contestants on the basis of ability.



Solo Twirler: Sandra DeMattei; Line Twirlers: Laurie Pearson, Kay Wills, Deanna Page, Cheri Tindall, Ilana Neal, Jan Thomann, Debbie Festavan.

Batons And Pompons Lead Marching Band!



Sandra DeMattei B.C.H.S.'s "Golden Girl" practices on a routine to be given.



Sandra DeMattei was solo twirler for the Benton Band.



Kathy Hobbs takes a moment out of rehearsing to collect her thoughts.



Head drum majorette, Kathy Hobbs, led the band.

Presenting . . . The Benton



Twirling with fire, a larger band, and more variety in selections were pleasant surprises the band produced this year. Under the new direction of Mr. Vincent Huffman, the 85 musicians have certainly left a most impressing mark on the school and the community.



Mr. Huffman seems to be satisfied with the performance of the band.



TRUMPETS: Gary Stewart, David Cunningham, Alan Barnfield, Debbie Festavan, Don Rice, Bob Rea, David Sneed

High School Band!



FLUTE SECTION: First Row: Sydney Stoflar, Janet Frailey Cheryl Whittington, Vicki Akin, Vicki Layman, Mary Ann Hill, Second Row: Lorrie Pearson, Kathy Hobbs, Mary Ellen Rea, Pam Prithard, Patty Norman, Ilana Neal, Jan Thomann.







BRASS: Ruth Funcannon, Maribeth Lane, Joyce Cox, Vickie Moore, C. J. Parris.

WOODWINDS: Peggy Hitt, Karen Odom, Marilyn Pope, Sheila Lewis, Denice Rhine, Steve Bogard, Susan Joiner, Sandra DeMattei, Kay Wills, Janice Webb, Debbie Tenrant, Debbie Gladson, Beckie Miller, Marilyn Tedeschi, Kris Hill, Hugh Frailey, Elana Fusfin, Donna Severin.



New Sounds From



PERCUSSION: Susan Woulley, Cynthia Hall, Alice Jankousky, Christi Bowlin, Robbie Pearson, Melvin Jones, Gary Lemmon, John Moore, Bruce Craddock, Brad Loman, Cheri Tindall, Kathy Knutsen, Roberta Basham, Gary Mabry.

BRASS: Gary Wilkerson, Kay Goff, Fred McAfoos, Deanna Page, Ricky Barton, John Gulley, Keith Neal.





STAGE BAND: Fred McAfoos, Gary Wilkerson, Ricky Barton, Keith Neal, Tim Eldridge, Gary Stewart, David Cunningham, Allen Barnfield, Don Rice, John Moore, Bob Rea, Courtney Cox. First Row: Kathy McCreery, Mary A. Hill, Mary E. Rea, Marvin Gates, Bruce Lindsay, Sheila Lewis.

A New Band



BAND OFFICERS: Mary Anne Hill, Secretary; Bruce Craddock, Vice-President; Mary Ellen Rea, Treasures Kathy Hobbs, Drum Majorette; Janet Frailey, President.



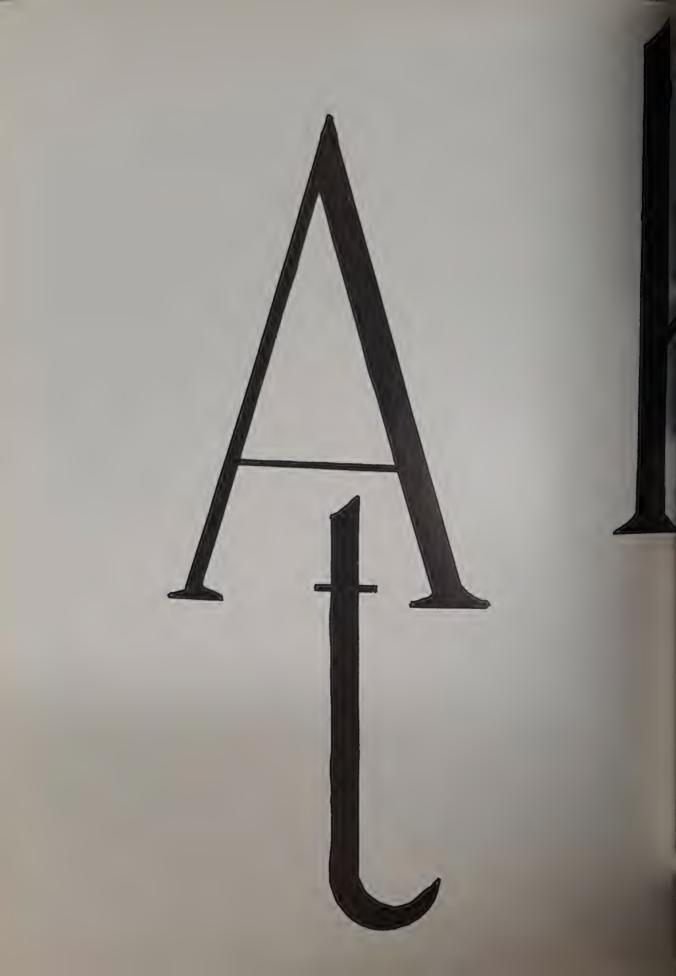
Bob Rea, Courtney Cox, and John Moore add a lively touch to the Christmas concert.



Various groups provided special music for the Christmas program.



Did anyone lose a French horn???



School Spirit Runs



B.C.H.S. students seem to be very proud of their team.



The J.V. cheerleaders urged the team to victory.



Kendra Marshall reflects a tense moment in the game.

High At B.C.H.S.



School spirit was evident all through B.C.H.S.



We're for you Benton High!



Pep band generated enthusiasm during the halftimes of ballgames.



"Go, go, fight, fight ..."



ELAINE BABURNICH Captain



DEBBIE JONES



EVELYN JANKOUSKY

Varsity Cheerleaders



SUSAN DESETT



MARY JANE KIMMEL



JR. VARSITY CHEERLEADERS: Janis Odom, Kondra Marshall, Paula Odom, Kathy Winston, osphain; Robin Moss.

Cheerleaders Boost Spirit Of Our School



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS: Susan DeSett, Debbie Jones, Elaine Baburnich, captain; Mary Jane Kimmel, Evelyn Jankousky.

Rangers Weakened

The 1967 Ranger Football team, plagued by injuries all season, ended their season with a 4-7 record.

Traveling to Sparta to open their campaign, the young Rangers suffered a 17-12 defeat in a very tight game which could have ended either way.

Benton opened its home season with a resounding 38-0 tromp of visiting Metropolis. The Trojans never were in the game, as the tough Ranger defense held them intact throughout the contest.

Marion tagged a heart-breaking 7-6 loss on the Ranger record the next week. After being held scoreless throughout most of the contest, the visiting Wildcats just couldn't be denied the one point margin.

DuQuoin handed the Rangers their third loss of the season the following week. The visiting Indians slapped a 19-0 whitewash on Benton.

Showing great balance Benton defeated hosting Herrin 21-14 on their fifth outing of the campaign. Then the major injuries hit.

Benton lost another heart-breaker to Centralia's Orphans on their home stomping-grounds. The final score was 19-13.

Powerful Mt. Vernon handed the struggling Rangers a 28-0 defeat on Tabor Field. Again injuries played a key role in the loss.

Journeying to Carbondale, Benton suffered its third straight defeat at the hands of the Terriers, 31-0. Playing was very difficult on the rain soaked field.

Following in the footsteps of the other losses this season, Benton dropped another close onto Harrisburg, 20-19. After leading most of the way, Benton was finally forced to relinquish the lead in the closing minutes of the fourth quarter.

Playing Johnston City for the first time on the open date before Homecoming, Benton got back on the winning track, handing the hosting Indians a 13-9 defeat.

In the 1967 Homecoming Game, Benton amassed a total of six touchdowns to defeat hosting West Frankfort 42-7 before a capacity crowd.



Head Coach RANDY DUDLEY



Assistant Coach
MAURICE PHILLIPS

By Many Injuries



Ist Row: Brad Pioveson, Wade Parkhill, Tom LaBuwi, Joe Milton, Dan Malkovich, John Moore, Bill Mitchell, Kenny Irvin, Dave Holman, Tony Wiggins. 2nd Row: Steve Stella, Richard Shaw, Jim Thomas, David Davis, Larry Gunter, Dick Conner, Gary Kearney, Dennis Benns, Roy Parker, Mark Joplin. 3rd Row: Coach Phillips, Marvin Gates, Jim Toms, Laird Wisely, Ricky Rusher, Denny Jones, Rick O'Keefe, Larry Williams, Dennis Miller, Dick Corn, David Choisser, Mike Gostowski, Head Coach, Randy Dudley.

Football Scores				
Benton 38 Benton 6 Benton 21 Benton 13 Benton 0 Benton 19 Benton 13	Sparta 17 Metropolis 0 Marion 7 DuQuoin 19 Herrin 14 Centralia 19 Mt. Vernon 28 Carbondale 31 Harrisburg 20 Johnston City 13 West Frankfort 7			



A strong, eager bench is a necessity.



Coach Dudley and Dick Corn discuss strategy.

Rangers Elect Tri-Captains



The tough Ranger defense stops an onrushing offense.



The goal of every Ranger—a star on his helmet.



Rangers recover a fumble!



"Red" Talley provided motherly care for the Rangers.

For First Time!



The Football Rangers were plagued by countless injuries.



A quick repair by Kirby Williams, and Larry Williams is ready for action again!



Having to watch from the sidelines is the disappointment of being injured.

Rangers Season 4-7



The Rangers condition themselves for the next big game.



Victory for the Rangers!!

End With Record



Quarterback Dick Corn attempts a pass for long yardage.



Dick Conner and Dick Corn lead the Ranger offensive attack.



The Rangers in the midst of things, as usual.

Ranger Lettermen - 1967



Wade Parkhill Roy Parker Gary Kearney
TRI-CAPTAINS



Rich Shaw



Rick Rusher



Larry Williams



Joe Milton



Rick O'Keefe



Dick Conner



Dennis Miller



Brad Pioveson



Ken Irvin



Tony Wiggins



Marvin Gates



Dennis Benns



Dick Corn



Steve Stella



Mike Gostowski



Dave Holman



Laird Wisoly



John Moore



Bill Mitchell



David Davis



Jim Toms



Dave Choisser



Danny Malkovich



Mike Gunter



Mark Joplin



Jim Thomas

Freshman Gridders Show Promise And Poise



Ist Row: D. Bigham, R. Johnson, R. Davis, T. Doty, C. Atchison, J. Gulley, G. Cybulski, J. Buchanan, G. Underwood, D. Smith, D. Swigonski, L. Siddens, R. Reece, 2nd Row: G. Chaney, E. Perry, C. Hedges, R. LaBuwi, R. Adams, J. Swigonski, S. Hill J. Melvin, B. Wyatt, A. Lampley, M. Terry, C. Goff, 3rd Row: Coach Jourdan, D. Lockin, D. Schaffer, R. Ramsey, T. Eldridge, S. Barham, R. Adkins, M. Crisp, R. Barton, T. Kirkpatrick, G. Fenn, D. Lampley, K. Neal, B. Laraway.

	Centralia19 Carbondale34	
Benton26	Marion26	



Freshmen saw football action for first time.

In their first season under the direction of Coach Leon Jourdan, the Ranger yearlings showed great potential and desire to give Benton fans something to look forward to in the future.

In their season opener, the Rangers lost to always tough Centralia 19-13 on the Orphan's home field. Carbondale administered a loss to the Benton crew, 34-25 in a high scoring game at Carbondale. The Rangers fought to a 26-26 tie with Marion on Tabor Field to establish themselves as giant killers in loop action. The young Bentonites gave themselves that reputation beyond a shadow of a doubt by defeating Mt. Vernon's Rams 27-19 at Mt. Vernon. In their following outing Herrin managed a tie out of tough Benton 7-7 on Tabor Field. Visiting West Frankfort ended the Rangers upset string by handing Benton a 26-13 defeat. In their season's closing game, the freshmen defeated hosting Harrisburg 12-0 to bring their record to 2-3-2.

Ranger Sophomores End Season With 3-6-1 Record



Row I: L. Summary, K. Cluck, D. Parker, J. Munoz, D. Kearney. Row 2: B. Hall, B. McCreery, J. Kasky, J. Cohoon, S. Waggoner, B. Pace. Row 3: S. Harvey, R. Treece, J. Neal, M. Zinzilieta, M. Poole. Row 4: M. Wasylczak, B. Hill, B. Hill, R. Todd. Row 5: T. Wayman, L. Thompson, J. Underwood, K. Huratt

Benton	13	Herrin	7	Benton 14 Benton 0 Benton 6	Mt Ca
Benton	7	Marion	13		Ca
		DuQuoin		Benton 7	

The Ken Hungate coached Ranger Sophomore Gridders, plagued by injuries throughout the season, ended their 1967 campaign with a 3-6-1 record.

Traveling to Herrin, Benton opened their season with a 12-12 tie in a non-conference match with the hosts. The Rangers won their first game of the young campaign, defeating hosting Metropolis 13-7. Marion administered the first loss of the season to Benton by drubbing the Rangers 19-7 at Marion.

Hosting DuQuoin handed Benton its second loss in a 12-0 whitewashing. Playing Herrin for the second time in the season, the Rangers came out on the victorious end in this meeting 25-6 on Tabor field. In a very close ball game that could have gone either way, Benton was edged by visiting Centralia 18-14. In their outing, the young Rangers were defeated at Mt. Vernon by the hosts 13-0.

Injuries became the main factor as Benton fell victim to powerful Carbondale, 33-6 at Benton. The Rangers finally found the key to winning in defeating host Harrisburg 7-6. In their season's finale the visiting West Frankfort Redbirds drubbed the Rangers 25-7.

Benton14	Centralia18
Benton 0	Mt. Vernon13
Benton 6	Carbondale33
Benton 7	Harrisburg 6
Benton 7	W. Frankfort25



Ranger Sophomores await their chance to get into the action.



Danny Johnson



Dick Corn



Bruce Taylor

The 1967-68 Rangers



Doug Collins



Danny Stewart



Laird Wisely



Dennis Miller



Pat Tindall



Joe Milton

Experts On T = Lardcourt



Bob Smith



Larry Williams



Tom LaBuwi



1968
Rangers
Played
Their
Best
Win Or Lose .



Two points for sharp-shooting Dinni, Miller.



Detailed strategy is discussed in the Ranger huddle.

The Ever Mighty



The 1967-68 Rangers pose after winning the Consolation Championship at the Centralia Holiday Tournament, 1st Row: Brad Weathers, manager; Dennis Miller, Dick Corn, Joe Milton, Rodney Herrin, mascot; Danny Stewart, Danny Johnson, Bruce Taylor. 2nd Row: Ass't Coach Phillips, Kirby Williams, manager; Don Mrogenski, manager; Larry Williams, Doug Collins, Laird Wisely, Bob Smith, Pat Tindall, Evan Stewart, manager and Coach Rich Herrin.

1967-68 Benton Ranger Record

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Benton76	Johnston City78		
Benton71	Meridian61	Benton78	Centralia62
Benton61	DuQuoin64	Benton89	Carbondale76
Benton81	Marion74	Benton83	Mt. Vernon81
Benton90			McLeansboro68
Benton79	Carbondale65	CENTRALIA HO	DUDAY TOURNAMENT
Benton90	Harrisburg70		
Benton80	Centralia69		Edwardsville66
Benton58	W. Frankfort62		Hinsdale66
Benton87	Mt. Vernon73		McLeansboro58
	Marion69	Benfon80	Centralia
	W. Frankfort	(consolation	bracket champions)
Renton 60	Harrin 60		

Benton Rangers



QUAD CITY TOURNAMENT

Benton89	Carmi52
Benton70	McLeansboro 58
Benton81	Fairfield61
Winne	r_Benton

REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

Benton.	93	Christopher	.51
Benton.	92	Bluford	61
Benton.	95	DuQuoin .	72
Winner Renton			

SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

Benton...70 Mt. Vernon ...72

From rags to riches was the tune of the 1967-68 Ranger basketball season as Benton came from one of the least heralded teams in the South Seven Conference to one of the most feared powers in Southern Illinois. Although not winning the state crown, Benton captured just about everything else to turn in a very impressive 23-6 record. The Rangers took the consolation championship of the 25th annual Centralia Holiday Tournament, the Quad-City Championship for the third straight year, and the South Seven Championship for the third year, this time sharing it with Mt. Vernon.

Things didn't look so well at the beginning, though, as Benton dropped two of its first three games, but from there on in, it proved to be days of victory after victory.

To begin with, the Johnson City Indians ended Benton's fifty game regular season winning streak in a very exciting contest at Johnston City. The Rangers led most of the way before giving in, in the final eight minutes of play.

Keeping up with the tradition of never losing on your home court, Benton handed the visiting Meridian Bobcats a ten point defeat marking Meridian's first defeat in four outings. Behind the effort of all-stater Alan Crews, the DuQuoin Indians slapped Benton in the face with a heart-breaking three point loss on the Indians' home court. In the only over-time contest of the season, the Rangers swept a tremendous victory from the Marion Wildcats. This proved to be the push Benton needed in getting started on their usual winning ways.

While Santa was preparing to leave for his all important ride, the Rangers began warming up with a romp over the visiting Herrin Tigers. At the Christmas break, Benton stood 2-0 in conference action and 3-2 overall. With a starting time of 9:00 A.M. already against them, cold shooting and questionable fouls added up to Benton's only loss in their last 21 outings in Centralia Tource Competition. The four point defeat came at the hand of Edwardsville, who take second place in the tourney. But one loss wasn't going the second place in the tourney but one loss wasn't going the second of their next three opponents enroute to a consolation championship. After a short-lived victory celebration, Benton stepped back into conference play with a come from behind win over the pesky Carbondale Terriers. The Terriers' Les Taylor, who later went on to capture the conference scoring title, astounded the loyal Ranger fans, as he turned into a one man scoring machine. The Harrisburg Bulldogs proved to be no match for the well-oiled Benton scoring machine, as they lost to the Rangers at Benton. For the second time this year, the Rangers defeated the Centralia Orphans; both wins by identical 12-point margins. Then it happened. Upsetting all the odds-makers, as well as area basketball fans, the visiting West Frankfort Redbirds handed Benton its first conference loss in 33 games. The four point defeat was marked with numerous fouls and turnovers which resulted in two Benton players and one Frankfort player fouling out. Then it was the Rangers' turn. The following night Benton traveled to Mt. Vernon and gave the Rams a 14-point defeat to throw the race for conference championship in confusion. With that winning fever still in their blood, Benton breezed to their third consecutive Quad City Championship at Carmi. Benton began warming up for its second meeting with West Frankfort by easily disposing of Marion. With everyone getting into the act, the Rangers were a shoe-in for the Frankfort game.

But it just wasn't so, as the Redbirds became the giant killers by defeating Benton the second time during the season; this time by a stunning 13-point margin. Probably affecting them mentally the Rangers stumbled through their next three games against Herrin, Harrisburg, and Centralia by wins of 9, 8,

and 14 points respectively.



Danny Johnson gets two points closer to establishing his individual scoring record of 744 points.



Safety in practice sessions was also important.

Realizing that if they wanted a share in the conference banner, they would have to buckle down, the Rengers did just that. Carbondale, having won their last six games, fell first to Benton by 14 points. The following night, the Rangers presented Mt. Vernon their second conference loss, both by Benton, and knotting the race for good. The two point margin doesn't show exactly how one sided the game really was. Benton closed out its regular season with a real barn-stormer against McLeansboro. Enroute to a fairly easy game, the Rangers suddenly found themselves only two points ahead late in the third stanza, but some last quarter heroics pulled it out of the fire.

Now its tournament time. The second season begins. In the West Frankfort Regional, it was all Benton. The Rangers breezed by Christopher, Bluford, and DuQuoin

by at least 20 points every game.

Sectional play got a lot harder, in fact, too hard. Again the old adage, "You can't beat a good team three times" showed up, as Benton fell to Mt. Vernon by a two point deficit. The Rangers' dream of a state tournament trip had again been shattered. The season was over; yet it had been a good rich season full of excitement and thrills. The Benton Rangers are one reason why everyone in Benton is proud to say—"Welcome to Benton—Home of the Rangers!"

Rangers Capture



Dick Corn proves that he is not only a "ball-handler."



Here is one of the boys who made the great difference in the Rangers success—Bruce Taylor.



The Rangers are congratulated by the cheerleaders after an overwhelming victory over the DuQuoin Indians in the Regional finals.

7th Regional In 8 Years



Proud? You better believe it! These happy faces belong to the 1967 Regional Champs, the Benton Rangers.



Senior Bruce Taylor gets two more points over the out stretched arms of Centralia Orphans' players.



Plays like this by reserve Bob Smith prove the strength of the entire team.

Men In Maroon Surprise



Action under the basket is rough as both teams battle for the rebounds.



Joe Milton, one of the fine junior prospects, scrambles for the basketball in a fierce duel during the Centralia Holiday consolation championships.



The action was tense during the Centralin-Benton game.



Rangers were always ready for a possible rebound.

Everyone William Edition and South



Junior, Doug Collins added spark to the Ranger offense.



Dennis Miller was a "deadly" outcourt shooter.



Ist Row: Bruce Hill. David Lockin, Gary Chaney, Jim Semanski, Guy Kays, Randy Pearce, Rick Thomas. 2nd Row: Coach Leon Jourdan, Danny Britton, Tom Doty, Barry Wyatt, Hugh Frailey, Ricky Webb, Brad Weathers, Don Severin.

FRESHMEN SCOREBOARD

Benton67	Harrisburg55
Benton62	McLeansboro18
Benton82	W. Frankfort36
Benton40	Herrin50
Benton83	Marion65
Benton83	Marion51
Benton57	C'dale59
Benton64	Centralia59
Benton70	C'dale74
Benton,75	Mt. Vernon52
Benton55	Centralia65
Benton73	Carmi71
Benton79	Carmi69
Benton58	C'dale61
Benton63	Centralia84
Benton78	Harrisburg52
Benton77	Herrin55
Benton57	Johnston City42
Benton72	W. Frankfort53
Benton58	Mt. Vernon51
Benton75	Marion49

Freshmen Show Poise On Basketball Court

The freshmen Rangers proved themselves to be the team to watch as they compiled a record of 15-6 in their first year at B.C.H.S. Coach Leon Jourdan should be congratulated for his great success of coaching his first year at Benton High.



The freshmen take time-out from a hard fought contest.

Junior Varsity Games Provide Many Thrills

The junior varsity Rangers provided many exciting moments with their impressive victories and upsets. They played until the final second of the game, and they often lost by very narrow margins. With teams as progressive as the junior varsity, Ranger varsity hopes look bright for the coming season.



The Junior Varsity to the Market Community of the Communi

JR. VARSITY SCOREBOARD

Benton54	J. City40
Benton54	Meridian57
Benton57	DuQuoin36
Benton57	Marion78
Benton65	Herrin41
Benton57	C'dale55
Benton51	Harrisburg64
Benton41	Centralia56
Benton62	W. Frankfort46
Benton56	Mt. Vernon72
Benton50	Marion67
Benton73	W. Frankfort42
Benton67	Herrin54
Benton73	Harrisburg63
Benton56	Centralia45
Benton69	C'dale61
Benton54	Mt. Vernon57



Ist Row: Mark Moss, Gary Lemmon, Keith Wilkerson, Rodney Kaspar, Roger Adkins, Dennis Smith, John Kasky. 2nd Row: Coach Phillips, Tom Learned, Don Smith, Hugh Frailey, Stewart Waggoner, Brad Pace, Mike Poole.



Ready for action!

Junior Varsity

Sophomores practice shooting free throws.

Rangers Gain Experience For A



Moments are often very tense!



Up, up, and away with the game!

Varsity Role



Another point for the freshmen!



The Freshmen eagerly await a chance to see action.



Semanski shoots a free throw for the Rangers.

Cross-Country Gains



First Row: Mark Ponder, Ricky Webb, Bob Ing, Danny Britton, Ricky Thomas, Dean Severin.

Back Row: Gary Lemmon, Robert Rogers, Dan Severin, Harry Hogan, John Mocaby, Tom Learned, Don Smith, Danny Stewart, Paul Shockley.

CROSS-COUNTRY RECORD Benton......15 T'ville48

Benton15 Marion	
Olney Invitational Team—6th C. Mills & T'ville 39 & 61 Benton 27 W. Frankfort Invitational Team—5th Benton 45—W. Frankfort 30—Mt. Vernon 47 LaGrove Invitational Team—6th	
Benton 16—Marion 67—Salem 47 Benton Invitational Team—6th	
Varsity South Seven Conference Meet—3rd Er-Soph South Seven Conference Meet 3rd	

District Meet (115 runners) 6th.



Benton "harriers" come into the home stretch.

Popularity At B.C.H.S.

The 1967-68 Cross Country Team had an excellent season. Some of the team highlights included: placing 5th in the West Frankfort Invitational, 3rd in the South Seven Conference Meet, and 6th in the District Meet.

One of the reasons for the team's great success was Paul Shockley. The senior "harrier" amassed first place wins in 11 meets, placed 5th in the Olney Invitational, placed 2nd in the West Frankfort Invitational, placed 2nd in the Trico Invitational, finished 9th in the LaGrove Invitational and out of 210 runners in the State Meet, placed 96th.



Knoeling: Robert Rogers, Tom Learned, Danny Stewart. Standing: Don Smith, Danny Severin, Harry Hogan, Gary Lemmon, John Mocaby, I Shockley, Mr. Miller.



Paul Shockley knows practice makes perfect.



Paul Shockley won 1st in District, and out of 225 at State, he placed 96th.

The Flan football team makes plans for a victory.

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The team lines up for a play.

Physical fitness is of great importance to all Americans. Recognizing this fact, the athletic department at Benton High School offers students a variety of intramural sports in which they may participate.



CHARGE!!!

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The team shoots through the line for valuable yardage.



Where did the ball go?



The girls' gym classes play for the volleyball championship.

Intramural sports offer all students the opportunity to show their skill in sports. Championships are awarded in ping-pong, basketball, volleyball, and football.



The boys' intramural basketball team battles for the tip-off.

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Kenny Irvin gets a shot off as Noble Linn attempts to block it.



The intramural teams fight for the rebounds.

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Many girls enjoyed participating in volleyball.

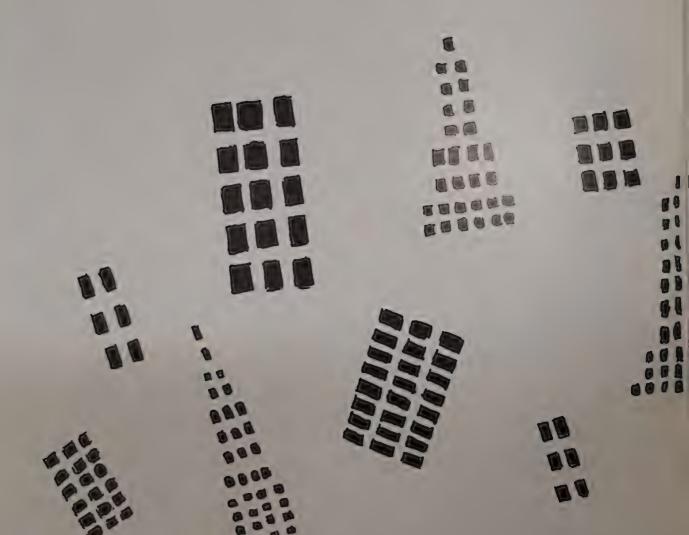


The tipoff and the game is underway.



Girls gym classes show their skills at playing volleyball.

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